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ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Each bidder is required to acknowledge receipt of an addendum issued for a specific project. This page is provided for the purpose of acknowledging an addendum.

FAILURE TO ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF AN ADDENDUM WILL RESULT IN THE BID NOT BEING READ.

In order to properly acknowledge an addendum place a mark in the box next to the respective addendum.

ADDENDUM NO. 1	<input type="checkbox"/>
ADDENDUM NO. 2	<input type="checkbox"/>
ADDENDUM NO. 3	<input type="checkbox"/>
ADDENDUM NO. 4	<input type="checkbox"/>
ADDENDUM NO. 5	<input type="checkbox"/>

In addition, the bidder by affixing their signature to the signature page of the proposal is acknowledging that they have taken the addendum(s) into consideration when preparing their bid and that the information contained in the addendum will be included in the contract, if awarded by the Commission or other designees.

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PROPOSAL TO THE TEXAS TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

2004 SPECIFICATIONS

WORK CONSISTING OF BASE REPAIR AND OVERLAY FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS

The quantities in the proposal are approximate. The quantities of work and materials may be increased or decreased as considered necessary to complete the work as planned and contemplated.

This project is to be completed in 30 working days and will be accepted when fully completed and finished to the satisfaction of the Executive Director or designee.

Provide a proposal guaranty in the form of a Cashier's Check, Teller's Check (including an Official Check) or Bank Money Order on a State or National Bank or Savings and Loan Association, or State or Federally chartered Credit Union made payable to the Texas Transportation Commission in the following amount:

TWENTY THOUSAND (Dollars) (\$20,000)

A bid bond may be used as the required proposal guaranty. The bond form may be detached from the proposal for completion. The proposal may not be disassembled to remove the bond form. The bond must be in accordance with Item 2 of the specifications.

Any addenda issued amending this proposal and/or the plans that have been acknowledged by the bidder, become part of this proposal.

By signing the proposal the bidder certifies:

1. the only persons or parties interested in this proposal are those named and the bidder has not directly or indirectly participated in collusion, entered into an agreement or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free competitive bidding in connection with the above captioned project.
2. in the event of the award of a contract, the organization represented will secure bonds for the full amount of the contract.
3. the signatory represents and warrants that they are an authorized signatory for the organization for which the bid is submitted and they have full and complete authority to submit this bid on behalf of their firm.
4. that the certifications and representations contained in the proposal are true and accurate and the bidder intends the proposal to be taken as a genuine government record.

• **Signed: ****

(1) _____ (2) _____ (3) _____

Print Name:

(1) _____ (2) _____ (3) _____

Title:

(1) _____ (2) _____ (3) _____

Company:

(1) _____ (2) _____ (3) _____

- Signatures to comply with Item 2 of the specifications.

**Note: Complete (1) for single venture, through (2) for joint venture and through (3) for triple venture.

* When the working days field contains an asterisk (*) refer to the Special Provisions and General Notes.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

ANY CONTRACTORS INTENDING TO BID ON ANY WORK TO BE AWARDED BY THIS DEPARTMENT MUST SUBMIT A SATISFACTORY “AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT” AND “EXPERIENCE QUESTIONNAIRE” AT LEAST TEN DAYS PRIOR TO THE LETTING DATE.

UNIT PRICES MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ITEM 2 OF THE STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS OR SPECIAL PROVISION TO ITEM 2 FOR EACH ITEM LISTED IN THIS PROPOSAL.

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

BID BOND

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS,

That we, (Contractor Name) _____

Hereinafter called the Principal, and (Surety Name) _____

a corporation or firm duly authorized to transact surety business in the State of Texas, hereinafter called the Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the Texas Department of Transportation, hereinafter called the Obligee, in the sum of not less than two percent (2%) of the department's engineer's estimate, rounded to the nearest one thousand dollars, not to exceed one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) as a proposal guaranty (amount displayed on the cover of the proposal), the payment of which sum will and truly be made, the said Principal and the said Surety, bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, the principal has submitted a bid for the following project identified as:

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NOW, THEREFORE, if the Obligee shall award the Contract to the Principal and the Principal shall enter into the Contract in writing with the Obligee in accordance with the terms of such bid, then this bond shall be null and void. If in the event of failure of the Principal to execute such Contract in accordance with the terms of such bid, this bond shall become the property of the Obligee, without recourse of the Principal and/or Surety, not as a penalty but as liquidated damages.

Signed this _____ Day of _____ 20____

By: _____
(Contractor/Principal Name)

(Signature and Title of Authorized Signatory for Contractor/Principal)

*By: _____
(Surety Name)

(Signature of Attorney-in-Fact)

*Attach Power of attorney (Surety) for Attorney-in-Fact

Impressed
Surety Seal
Only

 This form may be removed from the proposal.

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BIDDER'S CHECK RETURN

IMPORTANT

The space provided for the return address must be completed to facilitate the return of your bidder's check. Care must be taken to provide a legible, accurate, and complete return address, including zip code. A copy of this sheet should be used for each different return address.

NOTE

Successful bidders will receive their guaranty checks with the executed contract.

RETURN BIDDERS CHECK TO (PLEASE PRINT):

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IMPORTANT

PLEASE RETURN THIS SHEET IN ITS ENTIRETY

Please acknowledge receipt of this check(s) at your earliest convenience by signing below in longhand, in ink, and returning this acknowledgement in the enclosed self addressed envelope.

Check Received By: _____ Date: _____

Title: _____

For (Contractor's Name): _____

Project _____ County _____

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NOTICE TO THE BIDDER

In the space provided below, please enter your total bid amount for this project. Only this figure will be read publicly by the Department at the public bid opening.

It is understood and agreed by the bidder in signing this proposal that the total bid amount entered below is not binding on either the bidder or the Department. It is further agreed that **the official total bid amount for this proposal will be determined by multiplying the unit bid prices for each pay item by the respective estimated quantities shown in this proposal and then totaling all of the extended amounts.**

\$ _____
Total Bid Amount

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County EL PASO

ALT	ITEM	DESC	SP	Bid Item Description	Unit	Quantity	Bid Price	Amount	Seq
I04	509	REMOV CONC (SDWLK)			SY	266.400	\$10.000	\$2,664.00	1
Total Bid Amount							\$2,664.00		

Signed _____
Title _____
Date _____

Additional Signature for Joint Venture:

Signed _____
Title _____
Date _____

EXAMPLE OF BID PRICES SUBMITTED BY COMPUTER PRINTOUT

EXAMPLE


EXAMPLE

EXAMPLE


EXAMPLE

EXAMPLES

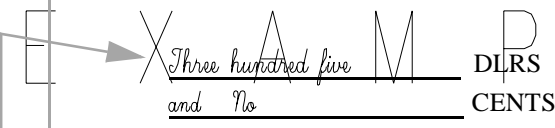
BID PRICES SUBMITTED BY HAND WRITTEN FORMAT

ALT	ITEM-CODE			UNIT BID PRICE ONLY WRITTEN IN WORDS	UNIT	APPROX QUANTITIES	DEPT USE ONLY
	ITEM NO	DESC NO	S.P. NO.				
	190	026		RED OAK 1 1/2" - 1 3/4" GAL BB 	EA	9.000	1

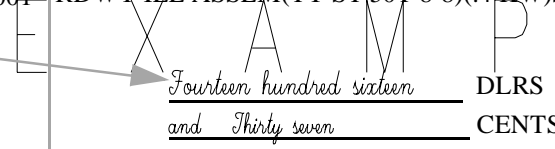
Unit price for each plant in place

	249	014		FLEX BASE(DEL)(DENSOT)(TY A GR4 CL2) 	TON	56,787.00	14
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Unit price for each ton of Flexible Base

	430	001	001	CL A CONC FOR EXT STR (CULV) 	CY	45.000	27
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Unit price for each cubic yard of Concrete

	610	007	001	RDWY ILL ASSEM(TY ST 50T-8-8)(.4 KW)S 	EA	13.000	7
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Unit price of each Roadway Illumination Assembly

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	ITEM NO	DESC CODE	S.P. NO.				
	134	2001		BACKFILL (TY A) DOLLARS and CENTS	STA	254.000	1
	305	2002		SALV, HAUL & STKPL RCL APH PV (0 TO 2") DOLLARS and CENTS	SY	1,115.000	2
	341	2119	020	D-GR HMA(QCQA) TY-D SAC-A PG70-22 DOLLARS and CENTS	TON	8,445.000	3
	351	2019		FLEXIBLE PAVEMENT STRUCTURE REPAIR(3") DOLLARS and CENTS	SY	2,300.000	4
	361	2001		FULL-DEPTH REPAIR CRCP (8") DOLLARS and CENTS	SY	500.000	5
	500	2001	005	MOBILIZATION DOLLARS and CENTS	LS	1.000	6
	502	2001	033	BARRICADES, SIGNS AND TRAFFIC HAN- DLING DOLLARS and CENTS	MO	2.000	7
	533	2001		SHOULDER TEXTURING (MILLED) DOLLARS and CENTS	STA	254.000	8
	542	2002		REMOVING TERMINAL ANCHOR SECTION DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	6.000	9
	544	2001		GUARDRAIL END TREATMENT (INSTALL) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	6.000	10

ALT	ITEM-CODE			UNIT BID PRICE ONLY. WRITTEN IN WORDS	UNIT	APPROX QUANTITIES	DEPT USE ONLY
	ITEM NO	DESC CODE	S.P. NO.				
	662	2004		WK ZN PAV MRK NON-REMOV (W) 4" (SLD) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	50,762.000	11
	662	2012		WK ZN PAV MRK NON-REMOV (W) 8" (SLD) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	810.000	12
	662	2016		WK ZN PAV MRK NON-REMOV (W) 24" (SLD) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	160.000	13
	662	2017		WK ZN PAV MRK NON-REMOV (W) (ARROW) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	5.000	14
	662	2023		WK ZN PAV MRK NON-REMOV (W) (RR XING) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	2.000	15
	662	2027		WK ZN PAV MRK NON-REMOV (W) (WORD) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	5.000	16
	662	2030		WK ZN PAV MRK NON-REMOV (Y) 4" (BRK) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	2,920.000	17
	662	2032		WK ZN PAV MRK NON-REMOV (Y) 4" (SLD) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	5,270.000	18
	662	2039		WK ZN PAV MRK NON-REMOV (Y) 24" (SLD) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	455.000	19
	666	2012		REFL PAV MRK TY I (W) 4" (SLD)(100MIL) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	50,762.000	20
	666	2036		REFL PAV MRK TY I (W) 8" (SLD)(100MIL) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	810.000	21

ALT	ITEM-CODE			UNIT BID PRICE ONLY. WRITTEN IN WORDS	UNIT	APPROX QUANTITIES	DEPT USE ONLY
	ITEM NO	DESC CODE	S.P. NO.				
	666	2048		REFL PAV MRK TY I (W) 24"(SLD)(100MIL) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	160.000	22
	666	2054		REFL PAV MRK TY I (W) (ARROW) (100MIL) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	5.000	23
	666	2084		REFL PAV MRK TY I(W)(RR XING) (100MIL) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	2.000	24
	666	2096		REFL PAV MRK TY I (W) (WORD) (100MIL) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	5.000	25
	666	2105		REFL PAV MRK TY I (Y) 4" (BRK)(100MIL) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	2,920.000	26
	666	2111		REFL PAV MRK TY I (Y) 4" (SLD)(100MIL) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	5,270.000	27
	666	2132		REFL PAV MRK TY I (Y) 24"(SLD)(100MIL) DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	455.000	28
	672	2012	034	REFL PAV MRKR TY I-C DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	50.000	29
	672	2015	034	REFL PAV MRKR TY II-A-A DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	450.000	30
	678	2001		PAV SURF PREP FOR MRK (4") DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	58,952.000	31
	678	2003		PAV SURF PREP FOR MRK (8") DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	810.000	32

ALT	ITEM-CODE			UNIT BID PRICE ONLY. WRITTEN IN WORDS	UNIT	APPROX QUANTITIES	DEPT USE ONLY
	ITEM NO	DESC CODE	S.P. NO.				
	678	2006		PAV SURF PREP FOR MRK (24") DOLLARS and CENTS	LF	615.000	33
	678	2007		PAV SURF PREP FOR MRK (ARROW) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	5.000	34
	678	2014		PAV SURF PREP FOR MRK (RR XING) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	2.000	35
	678	2018		PAV SURF PREP FOR MRK (WORD) DOLLARS and CENTS	EA	5.000	36

CERTIFICATION OF INTEREST IN OTHER BID PROPOSALS FOR THIS WORK

By signing this proposal, the bidding firm and the signer certify that the following information, as indicated by checking "Yes" or "No" below, is true, accurate, and complete.

- A. Quotation(s) have been issued in this firm's name to other firm(s) interested in this work for consideration for performing a portion of this work.

_____ YES

_____ NO

- B. If this proposal is the low bid, the bidder agrees to provide the following information prior to award of the contract.

1. Identify firms which bid as a prime contractor and from which the bidder received quotations for work on this project.
2. Identify all the firms which bid as a prime contractor to which the bidder gave quotations for work on this project.

DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

Complete this form to disclose lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352 (See reverse for public burden disclosure.)

1. Type of Federal Action: a. contract b. grant c. cooperative agreement d. loan e. loan guarantee f. loan insurance		2. Status of Federal Action: a. bid/offer/application b. initial award c. post-award		3. Report Type: a. initial filing b. grant For material change only: year _____ quarter _____ date of last report _____	
4. Name and Address of Reporting Entity: <input type="checkbox"/> Prime <input type="checkbox"/> Subawardee Tier _____, if known: Congressional District, if known:			5. If Reporting Entity in No. 4 is Subawardee, Enter Name and Address of Prime: Congressional District, if known:		
6. Federal Department/Agency:			7. Federal Program Name/Description: CFDA Number, if applicable: _____		
8. Federal Action Number, if known:			9. Award Amount, if known: \$ _____		
10. a. Name and Address of Lobbying Entity (if individual, last name, first name, MI): (attach Continuation Sheet(s) SF-LLL-A, if necessary)			b. Individuals Performing Services (including address if different from No. 10a) (last name, first name, MI): (attach Continuation Sheet(s) SF-LLL-A, if necessary)		
11. Amount of Payment (check all that apply): \$ _____ actual planned		13. Type of Payment (check all that apply): a. retainer b. one-time fee c. commission d. contingent fee e. deferred f. other; specify: _____			
12. Form of Payment (check all that apply) a. cash b. in-kind; specify: nature _____ value _____					
14. Brief Description of Services Performed or to be Performed and Date(s) of Service, including officer(s), employee(s), or Member(s) contacted, for Payment Indicated in Item 11: (attach Continuation Sheet(s) SF-LLL-A, if necessary)					
15. Continuation Sheet(s) SF-LLL-A attached: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No					
16. Information requested through this form is authorized by title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. This disclosure of lobbying activities is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed by the tier above when this transaction was made or entered into. This disclosure is required pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352. This information will be reported to the Congress semi-annually and will be available for public inspection. Any person who fails to file the required dis- closure shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.			Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Title: _____ Telephone No: _____ Date: _____		
FEDERAL USE ONLY			Authorized for Local Reproduction Standard Form - LLL		

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF SF-LLL. DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

This disclosure form shall be completed by the reporting entity, whether subawardee or prime Federal recipient, at the initiation or receipt of a covered Federal action, or a material change to a previous filing, pursuant to title 31 U.S.C section 1352. The filing of a form is required for each payment or agreement to make payment to any lobbying entity for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with a covered Federal action. Use the SF-LLL-A Continuation Sheet for additional information if the space on the form is inadequate. Complete all items that apply for both the initial filing and material change report. Refer to the implementing guidance published by the Office of Management and Budget for additional information.

1. Identify the type of covered Federal action for which lobbying activity is and/or has been secured to influence the outcome of a covered Federal action.
2. Identify the status of the covered Federal action.
3. Identify the appropriate classification of this report. If this is a follow-up report caused by a material change to the information previously reported, enter the year and quarter in which the change occurred. Enter the date of the last previously submitted report by this reporting entity or this covered Federal action.
4. Enter the full name, address, city, state and zip code of the reporting entity. Include Congressional District, if known. Check the appropriate classification of the reporting entity that designates if it is, or expects to be, a prime or subaward recipient. Identify the tier of the subawardee, e.g., the first subawardee of the prime is the 1st tier. Subawards include but are not limited to subcontracts, subgrants and contract awards under grants.
5. If the organization filing the report in item 4 checks "Subawardee", then enter the full name, address, city, state and zip code of the prime Federal recipient. Include Congressional District, if known.
6. Enter the name of the Federal agency making the award or loan commitment. Include at least one organizational level below agency name, if known. For example, Department of Transportation, United States Coast Guard.
7. Enter the Federal program name or description for the covered Federal action (item 1). If known, enter the full Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan commitments.
8. Enter the most appropriate Federal identifying number available for the Federal action identified in item 1 (e.g., Request for Proposal (RFP) number; Invitation for Bid (IFB) number; grant announcement number, the contract, grant, or loan award number; the application/proposal control number assigned by the Federal agency). Include prefixes, e.g., "RFP-DE-90-001."
9. For a covered Federal action where there has been an award or loan commitment by the Federal agency, enter the Federal amount of the award/loan commitment for the prime entity identified in item 4 or 5.
10. (a) Enter the full name, address, city, state and zip code of the lobbying entity engaged by the reporting entity identified in item 4 to influence the covered Federal action.
(b) Enter the full names of the individual(s) performing services, and include full address if different from 10(a). Enter Last Name, First Name, and Middle Initial (MI).
11. Enter the amount of compensation paid or reasonably expected to be paid by the reporting entity (item 4) to the lobbying entity (item 10). Indicate whether the payment has been made (actual) or will be made (planned). Check all boxes that apply. If this is a material change report, enter the cumulative amount of payment made or planned to be made.
12. Check the appropriate box(es). Check all boxes that apply. If payment is made through an in-kind contribution, specify the nature and value of the in-kind payment.
13. Check the appropriate box(es). Check all boxes that apply. If other, specify nature.
14. Provide a specific and detailed description of the services that the lobbyist has performed, or will be expected to perform, and the date(s) of any services rendered. Include all preparatory and related activity, not just time spent in actual contact with Federal officials. Identify the Federal official(s) or employee(s) contacted or the officer(s), employee(s), or Member(s) of Congress that were contacted.
15. Check whether or not a SF-LLL-A Continuation Sheet(s) is attached.
16. The certifying official shall sign and date the form, print his/her name, title, and telephone number.

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 30 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0348-0046), Washington, D.C. 20503.

DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

Approved by OMB

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CONTINUATION SHEET

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CONTRACTOR'S ASSURANCE

(Subcontracts-Federal Aid Projects)

By signing this proposal, the contractor is giving assurances that all subcontract agreements will incorporate the Standard Specification and Special Provisions to Section 9.6.B. "Payment Provisions for Subcontractors", all subcontract agreements exceeding \$2,000 will incorporate the applicable "Wage Determination Decision", and, all subcontract agreements of \$10,000 or more will incorporate the following:

Special Provision	"Certification of Nondiscrimination in Employment"
Special Provision	"Notice of Requirement for Affirmative Action to Ensure Equal Employment Opportunity" (Executive Order 11246)
Special Provision	"Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications" (Executive Order 11246)
Form FHWA 1273	"Required Contract Provisions Federal-aid Construction Contracts" (Form FHWA 1273 must also be physically attached to subcontracts and purchase orders of \$10,000 or more)

ENGINEER SEAL

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The enclosed Texas Department of Transportation Specifications, Special Specifications, Special Provisions, General Notes and Specification Data in this document have been selected by me, or under my responsible supervision as being applicable to this project. Alteration of a sealed document without proper notification to the responsible engineer is an offense under the Texas Engineering Practice Act.



The seal appearing on this document was authorized by
MICHAEL HOBBS, P.E.
FEBRUARY 27, 2009

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General Notes

General:

If fixed features require, the governing slopes shown may vary between the limits shown and to the extent determined by the Engineer.

Superelevate the curves to match the existing surface.

Notify the Engineer immediately if discrepancies are discovered in the horizontal control or the benchmark data.

References to manufacturer's trade name or catalog numbers are for the purpose of identification only. Similar materials from other manufacturers are permitted if they are of equal quality, comply with the specifications for this project, and are approved, except for roadway illumination, electrical, and traffic signal items.

Grade street intersections and median openings for surface drainage.

If a foundation is to be placed where a riprap surface or an asphalt concrete surface presently exists, use caution in breaking out the existing surface for placement. Break out no greater area than is required to place the foundation. After placing the foundation, wrap the periphery with 0.5 in. pre-molded mastic expansion joint. Then replace the remaining portion of the broken out surface with Class A or Class C concrete or cold mix asphalt concrete to the exact slope, pattern, and thickness of the existing riprap or asphalt. Payment for breaking out the existing surface, wrapping the foundation, and replacing the surface is subsidiary to the various bid items.

Stencil the National Bridge Inventory (NBI) number on each existing bridge shown on these plans. The NBI number is shown above the title block for each bridge layout.

Clearly mark or highlight on the shop drawings, the items being furnished for this project. Submit required shop drawings in accordance with the shop drawing distribution list shown in the note for Item 5 for review and distribution.

Unless otherwise shown on the plans or otherwise directed, commence work after sunrise and ensure construction equipment is off the road by sunset.

General: Site Management

Mark stations every 100 ft. and maintain the markings for the project duration. Remove the station markings at the completion of the project. This work is subsidiary to the various bid items.

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Do not mix or store materials, or store or repair equipment, on top of concrete pavement or bridge decks unless authorized by the Engineer. Permission will be granted to store materials on surfaces if no damage or discoloration will result.

Personal vehicles of employees are not permitted to park within the right of way, including sections closed to public traffic. Employees may park on the right of way at the Contractor's office, equipment, and materials storage yard sites.

Assume ownership of debris and dispose of at an approved location. Do not dispose of debris on private property unless approved in writing by the District Engineer.

Control the dust caused by construction operations. For sweeping the base material in preparation for laying asphalt and for sweeping the finished concrete pavement, use one of the following types of sweepers or equal:

Tricycle Type
Wayne Series 900
Elgin White Wing
Elgin Pelican

Truck Type - 4 Wheel
M-B Cruiser II
Wayne Model 945
Mobile TE-3
Mobile TE-4
Murphy 4042

General: Traffic Control and Construction

Schedule construction operations such that preparing individual items of work follows in close sequence to constructing storm drains in order to provide as little inconvenience as practical to the businesses and residents along the project.

Schedule work so that the base placement operations follow the subgrade work as closely as practical to reduce the hazard to the traveling public and to prevent undue delay caused by wet weather.

This project requires extensive grading operations in an environmentally sensitive area.

If relocating mailboxes, place them with the post firmly in the ground at nearby locations. Upon completing the project, the Engineer will locate the final mailbox placement. Perform this work in accordance with the requirements of the Item, "Mailbox Assemblies", except for measurement and payment. This work is subsidiary to the various bid items.

If fences cross construction easements shown on the plans and work is required beyond the fences, remove and replace the fences as directed. This work and the materials are subsidiary to the various bid items.

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When design details are not shown on the plans, provide signs and arrows conforming to the latest "Standard Highway Sign Designs for Texas" manual.

General: Utilities

The approximate locations of known underground utilities are shown in the plans. To prevent damage to or interference with existing underground utilities, contact a utility Notification Center a minimum of 48 hours before starting any excavation near them. The statewide toll-free utility locate number is 800-545-6005, or dial 811. Be prepared to provide the excavation limits or address, type of work, and anticipated duration. The Center will provide a reference number to verify compliance with the Texas Underground Facility Damage Prevention and Safety Act. Be aware that violators may be subject to civil penalty.

This action does not relieve the Contractor of the responsibilities under the terms of the contract on the plans and specifications. Repair any damage caused by the Contractor's operations at no expense to the Department and restore the facilities to service in a timely manner.

Be aware that an operational Computerized Transportation Management System (CTMS) exists within the limits of this project and that the system must remain operational throughout construction. Repair any damage to this system within 8 hours of occurrence at no cost to the Department. In the event of system damage, notify the Department's Houston District Traffic Signal Operations Office (Mr. John Gaynor at 713-881-3060) within one hour of occurrence. Failure of the Contractor to repair damage to the main fiber optic cable and CCTV cable trunk lines, which convey all corridor information to TranStar, will result in the Contractor being billed for the full cost of emergency repairs.

If overhead or underground power lines need to be de-energized, contact the electrical service provider to perform this work. Costs associated with de-energizing the power lines or other protective measures required are at no expense to the Department.

If working near power lines, comply with the appropriate sections of Texas State Law and Federal Regulations relating to the type of work involved.

Item 5: Control of the Work

Before contract letting, electronically generated earthwork cross-section data will be furnished free of charge to the prospective bidders on a compact high-density disk, in an ASCII print format. This will be available through the Association of General Contractors bulletin board service or through the Area Engineer's office. If the earthwork data is not available electronically, reproducible earthwork cross sections are available at the Area Engineer's office for borrowing by copying service companies for the purpose of making copies for the prospective bidders, at the prospective bidder's expense. The earthwork cross-section data provided above is for non-construction purposes only and it is the responsibility of the prospective bidder to validate the enclosed data with the appropriate plans, specifications, and estimates for the projects.

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Submit shop drawings electronically for the fabrication of items as documented in Table 1 below. Information and requirements for electronic submittals can be viewed in the “Guide to Electronic Shop Drawing Submittal” which can be accessed through the following web link, ftp://ftp.dot.state.tx.us/pub/txdot-info/library/pubs/bus/bridge/e_submit_guide.pdf. References to 11 in. x 17 in. sheets in individual specifications for structural items imply electronic CAD sheets.

Table 1
2004 Construction Specifications Required Shop/Working Drawing Submittals

Spec Item No.	Product	Submittal Required	Approval Required (Y/N)	Contractor/Fabricator P.E. Seal Required	Reviewing Party
7.8	Construction Load Analyses	Y	Y	Y	B
400	Excavation and Backfill for Structures (cofferdams)	Y	N	Y	A
403	Temporary Special Shoring	Y	N	Y	B
420	Formwork/Falsework	Y	N	Y	A
423	Retaining Walls, (calcs req'd.)	Y	Y	Y	C
425	Optional Design Calculations (Prstrs Bms)	Y	Y	Y	B
425	Prestr Concr Sheet Piling	Y	Y	N	B
425	Prestr Concr Beams	Y	Y	N	B
425	Prestr Concr Bent	Y	Y	N	B
426	Post Tension Details	Y	Y	N	B
434	Elastomeric Bearing Pads (All)	Y	Y	N	B
441	Bridge Protective Assembly	Y	Y	N	B
441	Misc Steel (various steel assemblies)	Y	Y	N	B
441	Steel Pedestals (bridge raising)	Y	Y	N	B
441	Steel Bearings	Y	Y	N	B
441	Steel Bent	Y	Y	N	B
441	Steel Diaphragms	Y	Y	N	B
441	Steel Finger Joint	Y	Y	N	B
441	Steel Plate Girder	Y	Y	N	B
441	Steel Tub-Girders	Y	Y	N	B
441	Erection Plans	Y	N	Y	A
449	Sign-Structure Anchor Bolts	Y	Y	N	T
450	Railing	Y	Y	N	A
462	Concrete Box Culvert	Y	Y	Y	C
462	Concrete Box Culvert (Alternate Designs Only, calcs req'd.)	Y	Y	Y	B
464	Reinforced Concrete Pipe (Jack and Bore only; ONLY when requested)	Y	Y	Y	A
465	Pre-cast Junction Boxes, Grates, and Inlets	Y	Y	Y	A
465	Pre-cast Junction Boxes, Grates, and Inlets (Alternate Designs Only, calcs req'd.)	Y	Y	Y	B
466	Headwalls and Wingwalls	Y	N	Y	A
467	Safety End Treatment	Y	Y	Y	A
495	Raising Existing Structure (calcs req'd.)	Y	Y	Y	B
610	Roadway Illumination Supports	Y	Y	Y	T
613	High Mast Illumination Poles (Non-standard	Y	Y	Y	T

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627	Treated Timber Poles	Y	Y	N	T
644	Special Non-Standard Supports (Bridge Mounts, Barrier Mounts, Etc.)	Y	Y	Y	T
647	Large Roadside Sign Supports	Y	Y	Y	T
650	Cantilever Sign Structure Supports - Alternate Design Calcs.	Y	Y	Y	T
650	Sign Structures	Y	Y	N	T
652	Highway Sign Lighting Fixtures	Y	Y	N	T
654	Sign Walkways	Y	Y	N	T
680	Installation of Highway Traffic Signals	Y	Y	N	T
682	Vehicle and Pedestrian Signal Heads	Y	Y	N	T
684	Traffic Signal Cables	Y	Y	N	T
685	Roadside Flashing Beacon Assemblies	Y	Y	N	T
686	Traffic Signal Pole Assemblies (Steel)	Y	Y	Y	T
687	Pedestal Pole Assemblies	Y	Y	N	T
688	Detectors	Y	Y	N	A
784	Repairing Steel Bridge Members	Y	Y	Y	B
SS	Prestr Concr Crown Span	Y	Y	N	B
SS	Sound Barrier Walls	Y	Y	N	B
SS	Camera Poles (Also SS 6611, 6941, etc)	Y	Y	Y	T
SS	Pedestrian Bridge (Calcs req'd.)	Y	Y	Y	B
SS	Screw-In Type Anchor Foundations	Y	Y	N	T
SS	Fiber Optic/Communication Cable	Y	Y	N	T
SS	Spread Spectrum Radios for Signals	Y	Y	N	T
SS	VIVDS System for Signals	Y	Y	N	T

Key to Reviewing Party

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Bridge Design (TxDOT)		HOU-BrgShpDrwgs@dot.state.tx.us
C - Construction Office		
Construction		HOU-ConstrShpDrwgs@dot.state.tx.us
		HOU-LabShpDrwgs@dot.state.tx.us
T - Traffic Engineer		
Traffic Operations		HOU-TrfShpDrwgs@dot.state.tx.us
Computerized Transportation Management Systems (CTMS)		HOU_CTMSshpDrwgs@dot.state.tx.us

Item 7: Legal Relations and Responsibilities

Do not initiate activities in a Project Specific Location (PSL), associated with a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) permit area, that have not been previously evaluated by the USACE as part of the permit review of this project. Such activities include those pertaining to, but are not limited to, haul roads, equipment staging areas, borrow and disposal sites. Associated defined here means materials are delivered to or from the PSL. The permit area includes the waters of

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the U.S. or associated wetlands affected by activities associated with this project. Special restrictions may be required for such work. Assume responsibility for consultations with the USACE regarding activities, including PSLs that have not been previously evaluated by the USACE. Provide the Department with a copy of consultations or approvals from the USACE before initiating activities.

The Contractor may proceed with activities in PSLs that do not affect a USACE permit area if a self-determination has been made that the PSL is non-jurisdictional or if proper USACE clearances have been obtained in jurisdictional areas or have been previously evaluated by the USACE as part of the permit review of this project. The Contractor is solely responsible for documenting any determinations that their activities do not affect a USACE permit area. Maintain copies of their determinations for review by the Department or any regulatory agency.

Document and coordinate with the USACE, if required, before hauling any excavation from or hauling any embankment to a USACE permit area by either 1 or 2 below:

1. Restricted Use of Materials for the Previously Evaluated Permit Areas.

Document both the Project Specific Locations (PSL) and their authorization. Maintain copies for review by the Department or any regulatory agency. When an area within the project limits has been evaluated by the USACE as part of the permit process for this project:

- a. Suitable excavation of required material in the areas shown on the plans and cross sections as specified in the Item, "Excavation" is used for permanent or temporary fill (under the Item, "Embankment") within a USACE permit area.
- b. Suitable embankment (under the Item, "Embankment") from within the USACE permit area is used as fill within a USACE evaluated area.
- c. Unsuitable excavation or excess excavation, "Waste" (under the Item, "Excavation"), that is disposed of at a location approved within a USACE evaluated area.

2. Contractor Materials from Areas Other than Previously Evaluated Areas.

Provide the Department with a copy of USACE coordination or approvals before initiating any activities for an area within the project limits that has not been evaluated by the USACE or for any off right of way locations used for the following, but not limited to, haul roads, equipment staging areas, borrow and disposal sites:

- a. The Item, "Embankment" used for temporary or permanent fill within a USACE permit area.
- b. Unsuitable excavation or excess excavation, "Waste" (under the Item, "Excavation"), that is disposed of outside a USACE evaluated area.

This project does not require a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Section 404 Permit before letting, but if a permit is needed during construction, assume responsibility for preparing

the permit application. Submit the permit application to the Department's District Environmental Section for approval. Once the permit application is approved, the Department will submit it to the USACE. Assume responsibility for the requested revisions, in coordination with the Department's District Environmental Section.

Maintain the roadway slope stability. Maintaining slope stability is subsidiary to the various bid items.

Item 8: Prosecution and Progress

Working days will be computed and charged based on a standard workweek in accordance with Article 8.3.A.4.

The Lane Closure Assessment Fee is \$ 200.00 for FM 521 (CSJ 0111-03-054). This fee applies to the Contractor for closures or obstructions that overlap into restricted hour traffic for each hour or portion thereof, per lane, regardless of the length of lane closure or obstruction. For Restricted Hours subject to Lane Assessment Fee refer to the Item, "Barricades, Signs, and Traffic Handling."

Item 134: Backfilling Pavement Edges

Before using the Reclaimable Asphalt Pavement (RAP) from other sources, use the RAP salvaged from within the project limits to the maximum extent possible in the construction of pavement edge tapers.

Quantity by station includes both sides of the roadway.

If using salvaged asphalt concrete pavement, size it so that all the material, except the existing individual aggregate, passes the 2-in. sieve. Use RAP that does not contain deleterious material such as clay or organic material.

If not using RAP material, meet the requirements of Item 247, Type A, Grade 1 for all other material.

Item 292: Asphalt Treatment (Plant-Mixed)**Item 341: Dense-Graded Hot Mix Asphalt (QCQA)**

Before using the RAP from other sources, use the RAP salvaged from within the project limits to the maximum extent possible in the production of the cement treatment, lime treatment, asphalt treatment, or asphalt concrete pavement.

Item 292: Asphalt Treatment (Plant-Mixed)

If using the iron ore topsoil as the primary aggregate, meaning 80 percent or more by weight of the total mixture, the requirements for the water susceptibility test are waived.

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Mixtures containing the iron ore topsoil are exempted from test methods TEX-217-F (Part I, separation of deleterious material and Part II, decantation test for coarse aggregate) and TEX-203-F (Sand Equivalent Test).

Assume responsibility for proportioning the materials entering the asphalt mixture, regardless of the type of plant used.

Furnish the mix designs for approval.

Compact the courses to a minimum density of 95 percent of the maximum density as determined using test method TEX-126-E.

Meet the following grading requirements:

Sieve Size	Percent Passing Grade 4 (Bondbreaker)
1-3/4 in.	-
1 in.	-
1/2 in.	100
No. 4	30 - 70
No. 40	15 - 45

Physical requirements are as follows:

Maximum Plasticity Index (PI) = 8

Maximum Liquid Limit (LL) = 35

Maximum Wet Ball Mill = 50 (crushed stone)

Maximum LA Abrasion = 50 (iron ore)

If blending the materials, perform the Wet Ball Mill test for the composite aggregate.

Form the asphalt material from 3.5 to 7 percent of the mixture by weight.

For nominal aggregate size less than 0.5 in., design the mix in accordance with test method TEX 204-F. The minimum stability is 30 percent with a laboratory molded density of 96 percent plus or minus 1.5 percent.

If the layer thickness after placing is 1.25 in. or less, the bondbreaker is exempt from the in-place density control described in Section 292.4.E., "Compaction."

Item 305: Salvaging, Hauling, and Stockpiling Reclaimable Asphalt Pavement

Keep the removed depth as uniform as possible during each removal pass if the pavement depth being removed is composed of different asphalt layers. Stockpile the RAP of differing types of quality separately by its intended use such as for asphalt treatment, cement treatment, lime

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treatment, or asphalt concrete pavement (level up). Break, crush, or mill the stockpiled materials so that 100 percent passes the 2-in. sieve.

Provide equipment and personnel, at no expense to the Department, to manage the stockpile during material delivery from this project to the designated stockpile.

For the type of equipment and construction methods to be used for pavement removal, refer to Item 354, "Planing and/or Texturing Pavement". Verify the depth of asphalt pavement to be removed before beginning the removal. Use a milling machine for planing on approach slabs/bridge decks.

Item 341: Dense-Graded Hot Mix Asphalt (QCQA)

Taper the asphalt concrete pavement at the beginning and ending points.

Use a maximum 6H:1V slope for the asphalt concrete pavement edge.

Where the 6H:1V ACP edge taper extends over onto the unsurfaced shoulders, blade off the loose existing shoulder material to provide a solid base for the outside taper edge. After placing the ACP overlay, blade this material back against the edge taper. This work is subsidiary to the various bid items.

The stockpile will be the point of sampling of coarse aggregate for test method TEX-217-F (Part II, decantation).

Place the asphalt concrete pavement in courses as shown on the typical sections.

Do not use petroleum-based solvents in the beds of hot mix asphalt delivery vehicles.

RAP materials salvaged from within this project (or other approved state projects) may be used to compose up to 10 percent of the final riding surface course. Other layers may contain up to 20% RAP. RAP stockpiles intended for this use must be approved by the Area Engineer before using them.

Dilution of tack coat is not allowed.

Do not use Surface Aggregate Classification (SAC) C for this project.

For determining the Asphalt Content, only ignition ovens will be allowed.

Warm Mix Asphalt (WMA) will not be allowed on this project.

Item 351: Flexible Pavement Structure Repair

Use asphalt stabilized base for the base repair material.

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For base repair, place the asphalt stabilized base in compacted lifts of 4 in. maximum, unless otherwise directed.

Item 361: Full-Depth Repair of Concrete Pavement

For full depth repair, remove only the quantity of pavement replaceable during the daily allowable work schedule.

Remove loose subbase material and replace it with concrete. Use a bondbreaker, such as a polyethylene sheet, at the interface between the replaced subbase material and the new concrete pavement.

Supply polyethylene fabric on the job site sufficient to cover the area of repair.

Do not place concrete placement if impending weather may result in rainfall or low temperatures that may impair the quality of the finished work.

Repair portions of the concrete pavement surfaces that are damaged while in a plastic state before those areas receive permanent pavement markings and open to traffic. Perform repairs that are structurally equivalent to and cosmetically uniform with adjacent undamaged areas. Do not repair by grouting onto the surface.

Ready mix concrete will be permitted if the equipment and construction methods can produce the desired results. Hand finishing will be permitted.

Perform saw cutting as shown on the plans in accordance with Section 360.4.J, "Sawing Joints." This saw cutting is subsidiary to this bid Item.

Item 502: Barricades, Signs, and Traffic Handling

Use a traffic control plan for handling traffic through the various phases of construction. Follow the phasing sequence unless otherwise agreed upon by the Area Engineer and the Project Manager. Ensure this plan conforms to the latest "Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices" and the latest Barricade and Construction (BC) Standard Sheets.

Submit changes to the traffic control plan to the Area Engineer. Provide a layout showing the construction phasing, signs, striping, and signalizations for changes to the original traffic control plan.

Furnish and maintain the barricades and warning signs, including the necessary temporary and portable traffic control devices, during the various phases of construction. Place and construct these barricades and warning signs in accordance with the latest "Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices" for typical construction layouts.

Cover work zone signs when work related to the signs is not in progress, or when any hazard related to the signs no longer exists.

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Keep the delineation devices, signs, and pavement markings clean. This work is subsidiary to the Item, "Barricades, Signs, and Traffic Handling."

Erect temporary signs when exit ramps are closed or moved to new locations during construction.

If a section is not complete before the end of the workday, pull back the base material to the existing pavement edge on a 6H: 1V slope. Edge drop-offs during the hours of darkness are not permitted.

Before detouring traffic onto the mainlane shoulders, remove dirt, debris, vegetation, and other deleterious material from the surface of the shoulders. Appropriately sign the detour in an approved manner. This work is subsidiary to the various bid items.

Coordinate and schedule the work with the appropriate Metro representative if requiring access to the High Occupancy Vehicle lanes.

Coordinate and correspond with the Department through the Area Engineer or representative.

Cover or remove the permanent signs and construction signs that are incorrect or that do not apply to the current situation for a particular phase.

Replace the overhead signs, informational signs, and exit signs to be removed, with temporary signs providing the correct information to the traveling public. Size the replacement signs and include them in the traffic control plan.

Do not mount signs on drums or barricades, except those listed in the latest Barricades and Construction standard sheets.

Use traffic cones for daytime work only. Replace the cones with plastic drums during nighttime hours.

Place positive barriers to protect drop-off conditions greater than 2 ft. within the clear zone that remain overnight.

Use shadow vehicles with Truck Mounted Attenuators (TMA) for lane closures during construction. Do not reduce the existing number of lanes open to traffic except as shown on the following time schedule:

One Lane Closure

Day	Daytime Closure Hours	Nighttime Closure Hours	Restricted Hours Subject to Lane Assessment Fee
Monday - Friday	9:00 AM – 3:00 PM	Not Allowed	5:00 AM - 9:00 AM 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Saturday	Not Allowed	Not Allowed	N/A

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Day	Daytime Closure Hours	Nighttime Closure Hours	Restricted Hours Subject to Lane Assessment Fee
Sunday	Not Allowed	Not Allowed	N/A

The above times are approved for the traffic control conditions listed.
The Area Engineer may approve other closure times if traffic counts warrant. The Area Engineer may reduce the above times for special events.

Provide full-time, off-duty, uniformed, certified peace officers, as part of traffic control operations. The peace officers must be able to show proof of certification by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officers Standards. The cost of the officers is paid for on a force account basis.

Use Uneven Lane Signs (CW 8-11) during resurfacing operations for elevation differences between adjacent lanes of greater than 1 in.

Record the beginning and ending stations of no passing zones in the field before beginning the overlay. Restripe no passing zones in the same locations immediately after the overlay.

Item 504: Field Office and Laboratory

The requirement to provide a field office is hereby waived.

The Department will provide a wireless broadband card, Internet Service Provider, and a laptop computer for the engineer's use for the duration of the project.

Furnish a Type D structure for the asphalt mix control laboratory for the Engineer's exclusive use. In addition to the requirements of this Item, "Field Office and Laboratory," ensure this structure has a minimum height of 8 ft. Also ensure it has a minimum of 400 sq. ft. of gross floor area suitable for permanently located asphalt plants or 200 sq. ft. for temporarily located asphalt plants serving one project. Partition the floor area into a minimum of 2 interconnected rooms, and provide each room with an exterior door and a minimum of 2 windows. Construct the floor of sufficient strength to support the testing equipment and with an impervious covering.

Adequately air condition the Type D structure and furnish it with a minimum of one desk, 3 chairs, one file cabinet, a telephone, and one built-in equipment-storage cabinet suitable for storing nuclear equipment. Ensure the cabinet is a minimum of 3 ft. wide by 2 ft. deep by 3 ft. high and has a secure lock. Provide the structure with a 240-volt electrical service entrance. Use a licensed electrician to determine the service size and service entrance conductors. Provide a minimum service of four 120-volt circuits with 20 amp breakers, and a maximum of 2 grounded convenience outlets per circuit and a minimum of two 220-volt ovens with vents to the outside. Provide a structure with a minimum of 2 convenience outlets per wall and a utility sink with an adequate, clean potable water supply for testing. Do not use space heaters to heat the structure.

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Use support blocks for the portable structures, tie them down, and securely attach them to the ground.

Determine the asphalt content by the ignition method and meet the requirements of Section 504.2.B.4.b., "Asphalt Content by Ignition Method" except provide a NEMA 6-50R (204/240 volt, 50 A) outlet within 2.25 ft. of the ignition oven location.

If an asphalt mix plant is located at the project site, provide a Type D structure with the dimensions of a Type C structure, at the project site to perform the asphalt mix quality control tests.

If a commercial source is used for the asphalt mix, provide a Type D structure with the dimensions of a Type C structure, at the commercial source site to perform the asphalt mix quality control tests.

The above requirements are subsidiary to the various bid items.

Assume ownership of temporary chain link security fences.

Equip each Field Office and Lab with a fire extinguisher and first aid kit. Also equip the Labs with an eye wash station. Provide equipment that meets the minimum OSHA requirements. At a minimum, furnish 20 lb. fire extinguishers that are rated for Type A, B, and C fires.

Item 506: Temporary Erosion, Sedimentation and Environmental Control

The use of hay bales is not permitted as Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SW3P) measures.

The Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SW3P) for FM 521 consists of temporary erosion control measures needed and provided for under this Item. This work is paid for by the force account for this Item. Since the disturbed area is less than 5 acres, a "Notice of Intent" (NOI) is not required.

Use appropriate measures to prevent, minimize, and control the spill of hazardous materials in the construction staging area. Remove and dispose of materials in compliance with State and Federal laws.

Before starting construction, review with the Engineer the SW3P used for temporary erosion control as outlined on the plans. Before construction, place the temporary erosion and sedimentation control features as shown on the SW3P.

Schedule the seeding or sodding work as soon as possible. The project schedule provides for a vegetation management plan.

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After completing earthwork operations, restore and reseed the disturbed areas in accordance with the Department's specifications for permanent or temporary erosion control.

Implement temporary and permanent erosion control measures to comply with the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) general permit under the Clean Water Act.

Before starting grading operations and during the project duration, place the temporary or permanent erosion control measures to prevent sediment from leaving the right of way.

Item 662: Work Zone Pavement Markings

At the end of each day's work, mark roadways that remain open to traffic during construction operations with standard pavement markings, in accordance with the latest "Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices."

Do not use raised pavement markers as optional work zone pavement markings on final asphalt surfaces.

For transition lane lines and detour lane lines, use raised pavement markers as shown for solid lines on the latest Barricade and Construction standard sheet for "Work Zone Pavement Marking Details."

Item 662: Work Zone Pavement Markings**Item 666: Reflectorized Pavement Markings**

Use Type III glass beads for thermoplastic and multipolymer pavement markings.

Use a 0.100 in. (100 mil) thickness for thermoplastic pavement markings, measured to the top of the thermoplastic, not including the exposed glass beads.

For roadways with asphalt surfaces to be striped with work zone or permanent thermoplastic markings, the Contractor has the option to apply paint and beads markings for a maximum 30-day period until placing the thermoplastic markings, or until starting the succeeding phase of work on the striped area. Maintain the paint and beads markings, at no expense to the Department, until placing the thermoplastic markings or starting the succeeding phase of work on the striped area. The work zone markings, whether paint and beads or thermoplastic, are paid under the Item, "Work Zone Pavement Markings" and the markings are paid for only once for the given phase of construction.

If using paint and bead markings as described above, purchase the traffic paint from the open market.

If the Type II markings become dirty and require cleaning by washing, brushing, compressed air, or other approved methods before applying the Type I thermoplastic markings, this additional cleaning is subsidiary to the Item, "Reflectorized Pavement Markings."

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Establish the alignment and layout for work zone striping and permanent striping.

Stripe roadways before opening them to traffic.

Place pavement markings under these items in accordance with details shown on the plans, the latest "Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices," or as directed.

Item 672: Raised Pavement Markers

If other operations are complete on the project and if the curing time period is not yet elapsed, the contract time will be suspended until the curing is done.

Provide epoxy adhesive that is machine-mixed or nozzle-mixed and dispensed. Equip the machine or nozzle with a mechanism to ensure positive mix measurement control.

Item 678: Pavement Surface Preparation for Markings

Do not blast clean asphalt concrete pavement. Clean asphalt concrete pavement as required under the applicable specifications or as directed.

Perform air blasting with a compressor that is capable of generating air at a minimum of 100 psi using 5/16 in. or larger hosing for the air blast (equipment should have sufficient capacity to remove contaminants but not damage the pavement surface). Do not clean concrete pavement by grinding.

Basis of Estimate

Item	Description	Limit and Rate	Unit
134	Backfilling Pavement Edges	0.25 Gal. / Sq. Yd.	STA
341	Dense-Graded Hot Mix Asphalt (QC/QA) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Asphalt• Aggregate	110 Lb. / Sq. Yd.-In. 6 % by weight 94 % by weight	

* For Contractor's information only (non-pay item).

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GOVERNING SPECIFICATIONS AND SPECIAL PROVISIONS

ALL SPECIFICATIONS AND SPECIAL PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO THIS PROJECT
ARE IDENTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS: ADOPTED BY THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF
----- TRANSPORTATION JUNE 1, 2004.
STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS ARE INCORPORATED
INTO THE CONTRACT BY REFERENCE.

ITEMS 1 TO 9 INCL., GENERAL REQUIREMENTS AND COVENANTS
ITEM 134 BACKFILLING PAVEMENT EDGES (168)(300)(314)
ITEM 305 SALVAGING, HAULING, AND STOCKPILING RECLAIMABLE ASPHALT
PAVEMENT
ITEM 341 DENSE-GRADED HOT-MIX ASPHALT (QC/QA) (210)(300)(301)(320)
(520)(585)
ITEM 351 FLEXIBLE PAVEMENT STRUCTURE REPAIR (132)(204)(247)(260)
(263)(275)(276)(292)(310)(316)(330)(334)(340)
ITEM 361 FULL-DEPTH REPAIR OF CONCRETE PAVEMENT (300)(340)(360)
(421)(440)
ITEM 500 MOBILIZATION
ITEM 502 BARRICADES, SIGNS, AND TRAFFIC HANDLING
ITEM 506 TEMPORARY EROSION, SEDIMENTATION, AND ENVIRONMENTAL
CONTROLS (432)(556)
ITEM 533 SHOULDER TEXTURING
ITEM 542 REMOVING METAL BEAM GUARD FENCE
ITEM 544 GUARDRAIL END TREATMENTS
ITEM 662 WORK ZONE PAVEMENT MARKINGS (666)(668)(672)(677)
ITEM 666 REFLECTORIZED PAVEMENT MARKINGS (316)(318)(662)(677)(678)
ITEM 672 RAISED PAVEMENT MARKERS (677)(678)
ITEM 678 PAVEMENT SURFACE PREPARATION FOR MARKINGS (677)

SPECIAL PROVISIONS: SPECIAL PROVISIONS WILL GOVERN AND TAKE
----- PRECEDENCE OVER THE SPECIFICATIONS ENUMERATED
HEREON WHEREVER IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

REQUIRED CONTRACT PROVISIONS, FEDERAL-AID CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS
(FORM FHWA 1273, MARCH, 1994)

WAGE RATES

SPECIAL PROVISION "SCHEDULE OF LIQUIDATED DAMAGES" (000--1493)
SPECIAL PROVISION "NOTICE OF CHANGES TO U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
REQUIRED PAYROLL INFORMATION" (000--1483)
SPECIAL PROVISION "PARTNERING" (000--002)
SPECIAL PROVISION "NOTICE TO ALL BIDDERS" (000--003)
SPECIAL PROVISION "NOTICE OF REQUIREMENT FOR AFFIRMATIVE ACTION TO
ENSURE EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY" (000--004)
SPECIAL PROVISION "DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE IN FEDERAL-AID
CONSTRUCTION" (000--461)
SPECIAL PROVISION "STANDARD FEDERAL EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT SPECIFICATIONS" (000--006)
SPECIAL PROVISION "ON-THE-JOB TRAINING PROGRAM" (000--1001)
SPECIAL PROVISION "CERTIFICATION OF NONDISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT"
(000--009)
SPECIAL PROVISION "DEPARTMENT DIVISION MAILING AND PHYSICAL ADDRESS"
(000--011)
SPECIAL PROVISIONS "IMPORTANT NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS" (000--1555)
(000--1580)
SPECIAL PROVISION TO ITEM 1 (001--011)
SPECIAL PROVISION TO ITEM 2 (002--017)
SPECIAL PROVISION TO ITEM 4 (004--012)
SPECIAL PROVISION TO ITEM 5 (005--004)
SPECIAL PROVISION TO ITEM 6 (006--030)
SPECIAL PROVISIONS TO ITEM 7 (007--213) (007--445)
SPECIAL PROVISIONS TO ITEM 8 (008--013) (008--084)
SPECIAL PROVISIONS TO ITEM 9 (009--009) (009--015)
SPECIAL PROVISION TO ITEM 247 (247--020)
SPECIAL PROVISION TO ITEM 260 (260--001)
SPECIAL PROVISION TO ITEM 340 (340--002)
SPECIAL PROVISION TO ITEM 341 (341--020)
SPECIAL PROVISION TO ITEM 360 (360--003)
SPECIAL PROVISION TO ITEM 421 (421--031)
SPECIAL PROVISION TO ITEM 440 (440--001)
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SPECIAL SPECIFICATIONS:

GENERAL: THE ABOVE-LISTED SPECIFICATION ITEMS ARE THOSE UNDER WHICH
----- PAYMENT IS TO BE MADE. THESE, TOGETHER WITH SUCH OTHER
PERTINENT ITEMS, IF ANY, AS MAY BE REFERRED TO IN THE ABOVE-
LISTED SPECIFICATION ITEMS, AND INCLUDING THE SPECIAL
PROVISIONS LISTED ABOVE, CONSTITUTE THE COMPLETE SPECIFI-
CATIONS FOR THIS PROJECT.

Control	0111-03-054
Project	STP 2009(558)ES
Highway	FM 521
County	FORT BEND

DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES REQUIREMENTS

The following goal for disadvantaged business enterprises is established:

**DBE
3.0%**

Certification of DBE Goal Attainment

By *signing* the proposal, the Bidder certifies that the above DBE goal will be met by obtaining commitments equal to or exceeding the DBE percentage or that the Bidder will provide a good faith effort to substantiate the attempt to meet the goal.

Failure to provide commitments to meet the stated goal or provide a satisfactory good faith effort will be considered a breach of the requirements of the proposal. As a result, the bid proposal guaranty of the bidder will become property of the Department and the Bidder will be excluded for rebidding on the project when it is re-advertised.

CHILD SUPPORT STATEMENT

Under Section 231.006, Family Code, the vendor or applicant certifies that the individual or business entity named in this contract, bid, or application is not ineligible to receive the specified grant, loan, or payment and acknowledges that this contract may be terminated and payment may be withheld if this certification is inaccurate.

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ATTACHMENTS

- A. Employment Preference for Appalachian Contracts
(included in Appalachian contracts only)

I. GENERAL

1. These contract provisions shall apply to all work performed on the contract by the contractor's own organization and with the assistance of workers under the contractor's immediate superintendence and to all work performed on the contract by piecework, station work, or by subcontract.

2. Except as otherwise provided for in each section, the contractor shall insert in each subcontract all of the stipulations contained in these Required Contract Provisions, and further require their inclusion in any lower tier subcontract or purchase order that may in turn be made. The Required Contract Provisions shall not be incorporated by reference in any case. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with these Required Contract Provisions.

3. A breach of any of the stipulations contained in these Required Contract Provisions shall be sufficient grounds for termination of the contract.

4. A breach of the following clauses of the Required Contract Provisions may also be grounds for debarment as provided in 29 CFR 5.12:

Section I, paragraph 2;
Section IV, paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, and 7;
Section V, paragraphs 1 and 2a through 2g.

5. Disputes arising out of the labor standards provisions of Section IV (except paragraph 5) and Section V of these Required Contract Provisions shall not be subject to the general disputes clause of this contract. Such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures of the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) as set forth in 29 CFR 5, 6, and 7. Disputes within the meaning of this clause include disputes between the contractor (or any of its subcontractors) and the contracting agency, the DOL, or the contractor's employees or their representatives.

6. **Selection of Labor:** During the performance of this contract, the contractor shall not:

a. discriminate against labor from any other State, possession, or territory of the United States (except for employment preference for Appalachian contracts, when applicable, as specified in Attachment A), or

b. employ convict labor for any purpose within the limits of the project unless it is labor performed by convicts who are on parole, supervised release, or probation.

II. NONDISCRIMINATION

(Applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts of \$10,000 or more)

1. **Equal Employment Opportunity:** Equal employment opportunity (EEO) requirements not to discriminate and to take affirmative action to assure equal opportunity as set forth under laws, executive orders, rules, regulations (28 CFR 35, 29 CFR 1630 and 41 CFR 60) and orders of the Secretary of Labor as modified by the provisions prescribed herein, and imposed pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 140 shall constitute the EEO and specific affirmative action standards for the contractor's project activities under this contract. The Equal Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications set forth under 41 CFR 60-4.3 and the provisions of the American Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) set forth under 28 CFR 35 and 29 CFR 1630 are incorporated by reference in this contract. In the execution of this contract, the contractor agrees to comply with the following minimum specific requirement activities of EEO:

a. The contractor will work with the State highway agency (SHA) and the Federal Government in carrying out EEO obligations and in their review of his/her activities under the contract.

b. The contractor will accept as his operating policy the following statement:

"It is the policy of this Company to assure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, religion, sex, color, national origin, age or disability. Such action shall include: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship, preapprenticeship, and/or on-the-job training."

2. **EEO Officer:** The contractor will designate and make known to the SHA contracting officers an EEO Officer who will have the responsibility for and must be capable of effectively administering and promoting an active contractor program of EEO and who must be assigned adequate authority and responsibility to do so.

3. **Dissemination of Policy:** All members of the contractor's staff who are authorized to hire, supervise, promote, and discharge employees, or who recommend such action, or who are substantially involved in such action, will be made fully cognizant of, and will implement, the contractor's EEO policy and contractual responsibilities to provide EEO in each grade and classification of employment. To ensure that the above agreement will be met, the following actions will be taken as a minimum:

a. Periodic meetings of supervisory and personnel office employees will be conducted before the start of work and then not less often than once every six months, at which time the contractor's EEO policy and its implementation will be reviewed and explained. The meetings will be conducted by the EEO Officer.

b. All new supervisory or personnel office employees will be given a thorough indoctrination by the EEO Officer, covering all major aspects of the contractor's EEO obligations within thirty days following their reporting for duty with the contractor.

c. All personnel who are engaged in direct recruitment for the project will be instructed by the EEO Officer in the contractor's procedures for locating and hiring minority group employees.

d. Notices and posters setting forth the contractor's EEO policy will be placed in areas readily accessible to employees, applicants for employment and potential employees.

e. The contractor's EEO policy and the procedures to implement such policy will be brought to the attention of employees by means of meetings, employee handbooks, or other appropriate means.

4. **Recruitment:** When advertising for employees, the contractor will include in all advertisements for employees the notation: "An Equal Opportunity Employer." All such advertisements will be placed

in publications having a large circulation among minority groups in the area from which the project work force would normally be derived.

a. The contractor will, unless precluded by a valid bargaining agreement, conduct systematic and direct recruitment through public and private employee referral sources likely to yield qualified minority group applicants. To meet this requirement, the contractor will identify sources of potential minority group employees, and establish with such identified sources procedures whereby minority group applicants may be referred to the contractor for employment consideration.

b. In the event the contractor has a valid bargaining agreement providing for exclusive hiring hall referrals, he is expected to observe the provisions of that agreement to the extent that the system permits the contractor's compliance with EEO contract provisions. (The DOL has held that where implementation of such agreements have the effect of discriminating against minorities or women, or obligates the contractor to do the same, such implementation violates Executive Order 11246, as amended.)

c. The contractor will encourage his present employees to refer minority group applicants for employment. Information and procedures with regard to referring minority group applicants will be discussed with employees.

5. Personnel Actions: Wages, working conditions, and employee benefits shall be established and administered, and personnel actions of every type, including hiring, upgrading, promotion, transfer, demotion, layoff, and termination, shall be taken without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability. The following procedures shall be followed:

a. The contractor will conduct periodic inspections of project sites to insure that working conditions and employee facilities do not indicate discriminatory treatment of project site personnel.

b. The contractor will periodically evaluate the spread of wages paid within each classification to determine any evidence of discriminatory wage practices.

c. The contractor will periodically review selected personnel actions in depth to determine whether there is evidence of discrimination. Where evidence is found, the contractor will promptly take corrective action. If the review indicates that the discrimination may extend beyond the actions reviewed, such corrective action shall include all affected persons.

d. The contractor will promptly investigate all complaints of alleged discrimination made to the contractor in connection with his obligations under this contract, will attempt to resolve such complaints, and will take appropriate corrective action within a reasonable time. If the investigation indicates that the discrimination may affect persons other than the complainant, such corrective action shall include such other persons. Upon completion of each investigation, the contractor will inform every complainant of all of his avenues of appeal.

6. Training and Promotion:

a. The contractor will assist in locating, qualifying, and increasing the skills of minority group and women employees, and applicants for employment.

b. Consistent with the contractor's work force requirements and as permissible under Federal and State regulations, the contractor shall make full use of training programs, i.e., apprenticeship, and on-the-job training programs for the geographical area of contract performance. Where feasible, 25 percent of apprentices or trainees in each occupation shall be in their first year of apprenticeship or training. In the event a special provision for training is provided under this contract, this subparagraph will be superseded as indicated in the special provision.

c. The contractor will advise employees and applicants for employment of available training programs and entrance requirements for each.

d. The contractor will periodically review the training and promotion potential of minority group and women employees and will encourage eligible employees to apply for such training and promotion.

7. Unions: If the contractor relies in whole or in part upon unions as a source of employees, the contractor will use his/her best efforts to obtain the cooperation of such unions to increase opportunities for

minority groups and women within the unions, and to effect referrals by such unions of minority and female employees. Actions by the contractor either directly or through a contractor's association acting as agent will include the procedures set forth below:

a. The contractor will use best efforts to develop, in cooperation with the unions, joint training programs aimed toward qualifying more minority group members and women for membership in the unions and increasing the skills of minority group employees and women so that they may qualify for higher paying employment.

b. The contractor will use best efforts to incorporate an EEO clause into each union agreement to the end that such union will be contractually bound to refer applicants without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability.

c. The contractor is to obtain information as to the referral practices and policies of the labor union except that to the extent such information is within the exclusive possession of the labor union and such labor union refuses to furnish such information to the contractor, the contractor shall so certify to the SHA and shall set forth what efforts have been made to obtain such information.

d. In the event the union is unable to provide the contractor with a reasonable flow of minority and women referrals within the time limit set forth in the collective bargaining agreement, the contractor will, through independent recruitment efforts, fill the employment vacancies without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability; making full efforts to obtain qualified and/or qualifiable minority group persons and women. (The DOL has held that it shall be no excuse that the union with which the contractor has a collective bargaining agreement providing for exclusive referral failed to refer minority employees.) In the event the union referral practice prevents the contractor from meeting the obligations pursuant to Executive Order 11246, as amended, and these special provisions, such contractor shall immediately notify the SHA.

8. Selection of Subcontractors, Procurement of Materials and Leasing of Equipment: The contractor shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurement of materials and leases of equipment.

a. The contractor shall notify all potential subcontractors and suppliers of his/her EEO obligations under this contract.

b. Disadvantaged business enterprises (DBE), as defined in 49 CFR 23, shall have equal opportunity to compete for and perform subcontracts which the contractor enters into pursuant to this contract. The contractor will use his best efforts to solicit bids from and to utilize DBE subcontractors or subcontractors with meaningful minority group and female representation among their employees. Contractors shall obtain lists of DBE construction firms from SHA personnel.

c. The contractor will use his best efforts to ensure subcontractor compliance with their EEO obligations.

9. Records and Reports: The contractor shall keep such records as necessary to document compliance with the EEO requirements. Such records shall be retained for a period of three years following completion of the contract work and shall be available at reasonable times and places for inspection by authorized representatives of the SHA and the FHWA.

a. The records kept by the contractor shall document the following:

(1) The number of minority and non-minority group members and women EEO employed in each work classification on the project;

(2) The progress and efforts being made in cooperation with unions, when applicable, to increase employment opportunities for minorities and women;

(3) The progress and efforts being made in locating, hiring, training, qualifying, and upgrading minority and female employees; and

(4) The progress and efforts being made in securing the services of DBE subcontractors or subcontractors with meaningful minority and female representation among their employees.

b. The contractors will submit an annual report to the SHA each July for the duration of the project, indicating the number of minority, women, and non-minority group employees currently engaged in each work classification required by the contract work. This information is to be reported on Form FHWA-1391. If on-the job training is being required by special provision, the contractor will be required to collect and report training data.

III. NONSEGREGATED FACILITIES

(Applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts of \$10,000 or more)

a. By submission of this bid, the execution of this contract or subcontract, or the consummation of this material supply agreement or purchase order, as appropriate, the bidder, Federal-aid construction contractor, subcontractor, material supplier, or vendor, as appropriate, certifies that the firm does not maintain or provide for its employees any segregated facilities at any of its establishments, and that the firm does not permit its employees to perform their services at any location, under its control, where segregated facilities are maintained. The firm agrees that a breach of this certification is a violation of the EEO provisions of this contract. The firm further certifies that no employee will be denied access to adequate facilities on the basis of sex or disability.

b. As used in this certification, the term "segregated facilities" means any waiting rooms, work areas, restrooms and washrooms, restaurants and other eating areas, timeclocks, locker rooms, and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing facilities provided for employees which are segregated by explicit directive, or are, in fact, segregated on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, age or disability, because of habit, local custom, or otherwise. The only exception will be for the disabled when the demands for accessibility override (e.g. disabled parking).

c. The contractor agrees that it has obtained or will obtain identical certification from proposed subcontractors or material suppliers prior to award of subcontracts or consummation of material supply agreements of \$10,000 or more and that it will retain such certifications in its files.

IV. PAYMENT OF PREDETERMINED MINIMUM WAGE

(Applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts exceeding \$2,000 and to all related subcontracts, except for projects located on roadways classified as local roads or rural minor collectors, which are exempt.)

1. General:

a. All mechanics and laborers employed or working upon the site of the work will be paid unconditionally and not less often than once a week and without subsequent deduction or rebate on any account [except such payroll deductions as are permitted by regulations (29 CFR 3) issued by the Secretary of Labor under the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. 276c)] the full amounts of wages and bona fide fringe benefits (or cash equivalents thereof) due at time of payment. The payment shall be computed at wage rates not less than those contained in the wage determination of the Secretary of Labor (hereinafter "the wage determination") which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, regardless of any contractual relationship which may be alleged to exist between the contractor or its subcontractors and such laborers and mechanics. The wage determination (including any additional classifications and wage rates conformed under paragraph 2 of this Section IV and the DOL poster (WH-1321) or Form FHWA-1495) shall be posted at all times by the contractor and its subcontractors at the site of the work in a prominent and accessible place where it can be easily seen by the workers. For the purpose of this Section, contributions made or costs reasonably anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits under Section 1 (b)(2) of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 276a) on behalf of laborers or mechanics are considered wages paid to such laborers or mechanics, subject to the provisions of Section IV, paragraph 3b, hereof. Also, for the purpose of this Section, regular contributions made or costs incurred for more than a weekly period (but not less often than quarterly) under plans, funds, or programs, which cover the particular weekly period, are deemed to be constructively made or incurred during such weekly period. Such laborers and mechanics shall be paid the appropriate wage rate and fringe benefits on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed, without regard to skill, except as provided in paragraphs 4 and 5 of this Section IV.

b. Laborers or mechanics performing work in more than one classification may be compensated at the rate specified for each classification for the time actually worked therein, provided, that the employer's payroll records accurately set forth the time spent in each classification in which work is performed.

c. All rulings and interpretations of the Davis-Bacon Act and related acts contained in 29 CFR 1.3, and 5 are herein incorporated by reference in this contract.

2. Classification:

a. The SHA contracting officer shall require that any class of laborers or mechanics employed under the contract, which is not listed in the wage determination, shall be classified in conformance with the wage determination.

b. The contracting officer shall approve an additional classification, wage rate and fringe benefits only when the following criteria have been met:

(1) the work to be performed by the additional classification requested is not performed by a classification in the wage determination;

(2) the additional classification is utilized in the area by the construction industry;

(3) the proposed wage rate, including any bona fide fringe benefits, bears a reasonable relationship to the wage rates contained in the wage determination; and

(4) with respect to helpers, when such a classification prevails in the area in which the work is performed.

c. If the contractor or subcontractors, as appropriate, the laborers and mechanics (if known) to be employed in the additional classification or their representatives, and the contracting officer agree on the classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits where appropriate), a report of the action taken shall be sent by the contracting officer to the DOL, Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Employment Standards Administration, Washington, D.C. 20210. The Wage and Hour Administrator, or an authorized representative, will approve, modify, or disapprove every additional classification action within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

d. In the event the contractor or subcontractors, as appropriate, the laborers or mechanics to be employed in the additional classification or their representatives, and the contracting officer do not agree on the proposed classification and wage rate (including the amount designated for fringe benefits, where appropriate), the contracting officer shall refer the questions, including the views of all interested parties and the recommendation of the contracting officer, to the Wage and Hour Administrator for determination. Said Administrator, or an authorized representative, will issue a determination within 30 days of receipt and so advise the contracting officer or will notify the contracting officer within the 30-day period that additional time is necessary.

e. The wage rate (including fringe benefits where appropriate) determined pursuant to paragraph 2c or 2d of this Section IV shall be paid to all workers performing work in the additional classification from the first day on which work is performed in the classification.

3. Payment of Fringe Benefits:

a. Whenever the minimum wage rate prescribed in the contract for a class of laborers or mechanics includes a fringe benefit which is not expressed as an hourly rate, the contractor or subcontractors, as appropriate, shall either pay the benefit as stated in the wage determination or shall pay another bona fide fringe benefit or an hourly case equivalent thereof.

b. If the contractor or subcontractor, as appropriate, does not make payments to a trustee or other third person, he/she may consider as a part of the wages of any laborer or mechanic the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing bona fide fringe benefits under a plan or program, provided, that the Secretary of Labor has found, upon the written request of the contractor, that the applicable standards of the Davis-Bacon Act have been met. The Secretary of Labor may require the contractor to set aside in a separate account assets for the meeting of obligations under the plan or program.

4. Apprentices and Trainees (Programs of the U.S. DOL) and Helpers:

a. Apprentices:

(1) Apprentices will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work they performed when they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a bona fide apprenticeship program registered with the DOL, Employment and Training Administration, Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training, or with a State apprenticeship agency recognized by the Bureau, or if a person is employed in his/her first 90 days of probationary employment as an apprentice in such an apprenticeship program, who is not individually registered in the program, but who has been certified by the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training or a State apprenticeship agency (where appropriate) to be eligible for probationary employment as an apprentice.

(2) The allowable ratio of apprentices to journeyman-level employees on the job site in any craft classification shall not be greater than the ratio permitted to the contractor as to the entire work force under the registered program. Any employee listed on a payroll at an apprentice wage rate, who is not registered or otherwise employed as stated above, shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate listed in the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any apprentice performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed. Where a contractor or subcontractor is performing construction on a project in a locality other than that in which its program is registered, the ratios and wage rates (expressed in percentages of the journeyman-level hourly rate) specified in the contractor's or subcontractor's registered program shall be observed.

(3) Every apprentice must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the registered program for the apprentice's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeyman-level hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Apprentices shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the apprenticeship program. If the apprenticeship program does not specify fringe benefits, apprentices must be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination for the applicable classification. If the Administrator for the Wage and Hour Division determines that a different practice prevails for the applicable apprentice classification, fringes shall be paid in accordance with that determination.

(4) In the event the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training, or a State apprenticeship agency recognized by the Bureau, withdraws approval of an apprenticeship program, the contractor or subcontractor will no longer be permitted to utilize apprentices at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the comparable work performed by regular employees until an acceptable program is approved.

b. Trainees:

(1) Except as provided in 29 CFR 5.16, trainees will not be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work performed unless they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in a program which has received prior approval, evidenced by formal certification by the DOL, Employment and Training Administration.

(2) The ratio of trainees to journeyman-level employees on the job site shall not be greater than permitted under the plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration. Any employee listed on the payroll at a trainee rate who is not registered and participating in a training plan approved by the Employment and Training Administration shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed. In addition, any trainee performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the registered program shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the work actually performed.

(3) Every trainee must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the approved program for his/her level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeyman-level hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Trainees shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the trainee program. If the trainee program does not mention fringe benefits, trainees shall be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination unless the Administrator of the Wage and Hour

Division determines that there is an apprenticeship program associated with the corresponding journeyman-level wage rate on the wage determination which provides for less than full fringe benefits for apprentices, in which case such trainees shall receive the same fringe benefits as apprentices.

(4) In the event the Employment and Training Administration withdraws approval of a training program, the contractor or subcontractor will no longer be permitted to utilize trainees at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

c. Helpers:

Helpers will be permitted to work on a project if the helper classification is specified and defined on the applicable wage determination or is approved pursuant to the conformance procedure set forth in Section IV.2. Any worker listed on a payroll at a helper wage rate, who is not a helper under an approved definition, shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed.

5. Apprentices and Trainees (Programs of the U.S. DOT):

Apprentices and trainees working under apprenticeship and skill training programs which have been certified by the Secretary of Transportation as promoting EEO in connection with Federal-aid highway construction programs are not subject to the requirements of paragraph 4 of this Section IV. The straight time hourly wage rates for apprentices and trainees under such programs will be established by the particular programs. The ratio of apprentices and trainees to journeymen shall not be greater than permitted by the terms of the particular program.

6. Withholding:

The SHA shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the DOL withhold, or cause to be withheld, from the contractor or subcontractor under this contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other Federally-assisted contract subject to Davis-Bacon prevailing wage requirements which is held by the same prime contractor, as much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to pay laborers and mechanics, including apprentices, trainees, and helpers, employed by the contractor or any subcontractor the full amount of wages required by the contract. In the event of failure to pay any laborer or mechanic, including any apprentice, trainee, or helper, employed or working on the site of the work, all or part of the wages required by the contract, the SHA contracting officer may, after written notice to the contractor, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds until such violations have ceased.

7. Overtime Requirements:

No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers, mechanics, watchmen, or guards (including apprentices, trainees, and helpers described in paragraphs 4 and 5 above) shall require or permit any laborer, mechanic, watchman, or guard in any workweek in which he/she is employed on such work, to work in excess of 40 hours in such workweek unless such laborer, mechanic, watchman, or guard receives compensation at a rate not less than one-and-one-half times his/her basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in such workweek.

8. Violation:

Liability for Unpaid Wages; Liquidated Damages: In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph 7 above, the contractor and any subcontractor responsible thereof shall be liable to the affected employee for his/her unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory) for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer, mechanic, watchman, or guard employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph 7, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such employee was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard work week of 40 hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph 7.

9. Withholding for Unpaid Wages and Liquidated Damages:

The SHA shall upon its own action or upon written request of any authorized representative of the DOL withhold, or cause to be withheld, from any monies payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other Federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph 8 above.

V. STATEMENTS AND PAYROLLS

(Applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts exceeding \$2,000 and to all related subcontracts, except for projects located on roadways classified as local roads or rural collectors, which are exempt.)

1. Compliance with Copeland Regulations (29 CFR 3):

The contractor shall comply with the Copeland Regulations of the Secretary of Labor which are herein incorporated by reference.

2. Payrolls and Payroll Records:

a. Payrolls and basic records relating thereto shall be maintained by the contractor and each subcontractor during the course of the work and preserved for a period of 3 years from the date of completion of the contract for all laborers, mechanics, apprentices, trainees, watchmen, helpers, and guards working at the site of the work.

b. The payroll records shall contain the name, social security number, and address of each such employee; his or her correct classification; hourly rates of wages paid (including rates of contributions or costs anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits or cash equivalent thereof the types described in Section 1 (b)(2)(B) of the Davis Bacon Act); daily and weekly number of hours worked; deductions made; and actual wages paid. In addition, for Appalachian contracts, the payroll records shall contain a notation indicating whether the employee does, or does not, normally reside in the labor area as defined in Attachment A, paragraph 1. Whenever the Secretary of Labor, pursuant to Section IV, paragraph 3b, has found that the wages of any laborer or mechanic include the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing benefits under a plan or program described in Section 1 (b)(2)(B) of the Davis Bacon Act, the contractor and each subcontractor shall maintain records which show that the commitment to provide such benefits is enforceable, that the plan or program is financially responsible, that the plan or program has been communicated in writing to the laborers or mechanics affected, and show the cost anticipated or the actual cost incurred in providing benefits. Contractors or subcontractors employing apprentices or trainees under approved programs shall maintain written evidence of the registration of apprentices and trainees, and ratios and wage rates prescribed in the applicable programs.

c. Each contractor and subcontractor shall furnish, each week in which any contract work is performed, to the SHA resident engineer a payroll of wages paid each of its employees (including apprentices, trainees, and helpers, described in Section IV, paragraphs 4 and 5, and watchmen and guards engaged on work during the preceding weekly payroll period). The payroll submitted shall set out accurately and completely all of the information required to be maintained under paragraph 2b of this Section V. This information may be submitted in any form desired. Optional Form WH-347 is available for this purpose and may be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents (Federal stock number 029-005-0014-1), U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402. The prime contractor is responsible for the submission of copies of payrolls by all subcontractors.

d. Each payroll submitted shall be accompanied by a "Statement of Compliance," signed by the contractor or subcontractor or his/her agent who pays or supervises the payment of the persons employed under the contract and shall certify the following:

(1) that the payroll for the payroll period contains the information required to be maintained under paragraph 2b of this Section V and that such information is correct and complete;

(2) that such laborer or mechanic (including each helper, apprentice, and trainee) employed on the contract during the payroll period has been paid the full weekly wages earned, without rebate, either directly or indirectly, and that no deductions have been made either directly or indirectly from the full wages earned, other than permissible deductions as set forth in the Regulations, 29 CFR 3;

(3) that each laborer or mechanic has been paid not less than the applicable wage rate and fringe benefits or cash equivalent for the classification of work performed, as specified in the applicable wage determination incorporated into the contract.

e. The weekly submission of a properly executed certification set forth on the reverse side of Optional Form WH-347 shall satisfy the requirement for submission of the "Statement of Compliance" required by paragraph 2d of this Section V.

f. The falsification of any of the above certifications may subject the contractor to civil or criminal prosecution under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 31 U.S.C. 231.

g. The contractor or subcontractor shall make the records required under paragraph 2b of this Section V available for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of the SHA, the FHWA, or the DOL, and shall permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job. If the contractor or subcontractor fails to submit the required records or to make them available, the SHA, the FHWA, the DOL, or all may, after written notice to the contractor, sponsor, applicant, or owner, take such actions as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance, or guarantee of funds. Furthermore, failure to submit the required records upon request or to make such records available may be grounds for debarment action pursuant to 29 CFR 5.12.

VI. RECORD OF MATERIALS, SUPPLIES, AND LABOR

1. On all Federal-aid contracts on the National Highway System, except those which provide solely for the installation of protective devices at railroad grade crossings, those which are constructed on a force account or direct labor basis, highway beautification contracts, and contracts for which the total final construction cost for roadway and bridge is less than \$1,000,000 (23 CFR 635) the contractor shall:

a. Become familiar with the list of specific materials and supplies contained in Form FHWA-47, "Statement of Materials and Labor Used by Contractor of Highway Construction Involving Federal Funds," prior to the commencement of work under this contract.

b. Maintain a record of the total cost of all materials and supplies purchased for and incorporated in the work, and also of the quantities of those specific materials and supplies listed on Form FHWA-47, and in the units shown on Form FHWA-47.

c. Furnish, upon the completion of the contract, to the SHA resident engineer on Form FHWA-47 together with the data required in paragraph 1b relative to materials and supplies, a final labor summary of all contract work indicating the total hours worked and the total amount earned.

2. At the prime contractor's option, either a single report covering all contract work or separate reports for the contractor and for each subcontract shall be submitted.

VII. SUBLETTING OR ASSIGNING THE CONTRACT

1. The contractor shall perform with its own organization contract work amounting to not less than 30 percent (or a greater percentage if specified elsewhere in the contract) of the total original contract price, excluding any specialty items designated by the State. Specialty items may be performed by subcontract and the amount of any such specialty items performed may be deducted from the total original contract price before computing the amount of work required to be performed by the contractor's own organization (23 CFR 635).

a. "Its own organization" shall be construed to include only workers employed and paid directly by the prime contractor and equipment owned or rented by the prime contractor, with or without operators. Such term does not include employees or equipment of a subcontractor, assignee, or agent of the prime contractor.

b. "Specialty Items" shall be construed to be limited to work that requires highly specialized knowledge, abilities, or equipment not ordinarily available in the type of contracting organizations qualified and expected to bid on the contract as a whole and in general are to be limited to minor components of the overall contract.

2. The contract amount upon which the requirements set forth in paragraph 1 of Section VII is computed includes the cost of material and manufactured products which are to be purchased or produced by the contractor under the contract provisions.

3. The contractor shall furnish (a) a competent superintendent or supervisor who is employed by the firm, has full authority to direct performance of the work in accordance with the contract requirements, and is in charge of all construction operations (regardless of who performs the work) and (b) such other of its own organizational resources (supervision, management, and engineering services) as the SHA contracting officer determines is necessary to assure the performance of the contract.

4. No portion of the contract shall be sublet, assigned or otherwise disposed of except with the written consent of the SHA contracting officer, or authorized representative, and such consent when given shall not be construed to relieve the contractor of any responsibility for the fulfillment of the contract. Written consent will be given only after the SHA has assured that each subcontract is evidenced in writing and that it contains all pertinent provisions and requirements of the prime contract.

VIII. SAFETY: ACCIDENT PREVENTION

1. In the performance of this contract the contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws governing safety, health, and sanitation (23 CFR 635). The contractor shall provide all safeguards, safety devices and protective equipment and take any other needed actions as it determines, or as the SHA contracting officer may determine, to be reasonably necessary to protect the life and health of employees on the job and the safety of the public and to protect property in connection with the performance of the work covered by the contract.

2. It is a condition of this contract, and shall be made a condition of each subcontract, which the contractor enters into pursuant to this contract, that the contractor and any subcontractor shall not permit any employee, in performance of the contract, to work in surroundings or under conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous to his/her health or safety, as determined under construction safety and health standards (29 CFR 1926) promulgated by the Secretary of Labor, in accordance with Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 333).

3. Pursuant to 29 CFR 1926.3, it is a condition of this contract that the Secretary of Labor or authorized representative thereof, shall have right of entry to any site of contract performance to inspect or investigate the matter of compliance with the construction safety and health standards and to carry out the duties of the Secretary under Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 333).

IX. FALSE STATEMENTS CONCERNING HIGHWAY PROJECTS

In order to assure high quality and durable construction in conformity with approved plans and specifications and a high degree of reliability on statements and representations made by engineers, contractors, suppliers, and workers on Federal-aid highway projects, it is essential that all persons concerned with the project perform their functions as carefully, thoroughly, and honestly as possible. Willful falsification, distortion, or misrepresentation with respect to any facts related to the project is a violation of Federal law. To prevent any misunderstanding regarding the seriousness of these and similar acts, the following notice shall be posted on each Federal-aid highway project (23 CFR 635) in one or more places where it is readily available to all persons concerned with the project:

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONNEL ENGAGED ON FEDERAL-AID HIGHWAY PROJECTS

18 U.S.C. 1020 reads as follows:

"Whoever, being an officer, agent, or employee of the United States, or of any State or Territory, or whoever, whether a person, association, firm, or corporation, knowingly makes any false statement, false representation, or false report as to the character, quality,

quantity, or cost of the material used or to be used, or the quantity or quality of the work performed or to be performed, or the cost thereof in connection with the submission of plans, maps, specifications, contracts, or costs of construction on any highway or related project submitted for approval to the Secretary of Transportation; or

Whoever knowingly makes any false statement, false representation, false report or false claim with respect to the character, quality, quantity, or cost of any work performed or to be performed, or materials furnished or to be furnished, in connection with the construction of any highway or related project approved by the Secretary of Transportation; or

Whoever knowingly makes any false statement or false representation as to material fact in any statement, certificate, or report submitted pursuant to provisions of the Federal-aid Roads Act approved July 1, 1916, (39 Stat. 355), as amended and supplemented;

Shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned not more than 5 years or both."

X. IMPLEMENTATION OF CLEAN AIR ACT AND FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT

(Applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts of \$100,000 or more)

By submission of this bid or the execution of this contract, or subcontract, as appropriate, the bidder, Federal-aid construction contractor, or subcontractor, as appropriate, will be deemed to have stipulated as follows:

1. That any facility that is or will be utilized in the performance of this contract, unless such contract is exempt under the Clean Air Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1857 et seq., as amended by Pub.L. 91-604), and under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq., as amended by Pub.L. 92-500), Executive Order 11738, and regulations in implementation thereof (40 CFR 15) is not listed, on the date of contract award, on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) List of Violating Facilities pursuant to 40 CFR 15.20.

2. That the firm agrees to comply and remain in compliance with all the requirements of Section 114 of the Clean Air Act and Section 308 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act and all regulations and guidelines listed thereunder.

3. That the firm shall promptly notify the SHA of the receipt of any communication from the Director, Office of Federal Activities, EPA, indicating that a facility that is or will be utilized for the contract is under consideration to be listed on the EPA List of Violating Facilities.

4. That the firm agrees to include or cause to be included the requirements of paragraph 1 through 4 of this Section X in every nonexempt subcontract, and further agrees to take such action as the government may direct as a means of enforcing such requirements.

XI. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION

1. Instructions for Certification - Primary Covered Transactions:

(Applicable to all Federal-aid contracts - 49 CFR 29)

a. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective primary participant is providing the certification set out below.

b. The inability of a person to provide the certification set out below will not necessarily result in denial of participation in this covered transaction. The prospective participant shall submit an explanation of why it cannot provide the certification set out below. The certification or explanation will be considered in connection with the department or agency's determination whether to enter into this transaction. However, failure of the prospective primary participant to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify such a person from participation in this transaction.

c. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when the department or agency determined to enter into this transaction. If it is later determined that the prospective primary participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause of default.

d. The prospective primary participant shall provide immediate written notice to the department or agency to whom this proposal is submitted if any time the prospective primary participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

e. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "lower tier covered transaction," "participant," "person," "primary covered transaction," "principal," "proposal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the department or agency to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.

f. The prospective primary participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency entering into this transaction.

g. The prospective primary participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," provided by the department or agency entering into this covered transaction, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.

h. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the nonprocurement portion of the "Lists of Parties Excluded From Federal Procurement or Nonprocurement Programs" (Nonprocurement List) which is compiled by the General Services Administration.

i. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

j. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph f of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default.

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Primary Covered Transactions

1. The prospective primary participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:

a. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;

b. Have not within a 3-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

c. Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph 1b of this certification; and

d. Have not within a 3-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default.

2. Where the prospective primary participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

2. Instructions for Certification - Lower Tier Covered Transactions:

(Applicable to all subcontracts, purchase orders and other lower tier transactions of \$25,000 or more - 49 CFR 29)

a. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier is providing the certification set out below.

b. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department, or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

c. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

d. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "primary covered transaction," "participant," "person," "principal," "proposal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.

e. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.

f. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.

g. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the Nonprocurement List.

h. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

i. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph e of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transactions:

1. The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.

2. Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

XII. CERTIFICATION REGARDING USE OF CONTRACT FUNDS FOR LOBBYING

(Applicable to all Federal-aid construction contracts and to all related subcontracts which exceed \$100,000 - 49 CFR 20)

1. The prospective participant certifies, by signing and submitting this bid or proposal, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

a. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

b. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

2. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

3. The prospective participant also agrees by submitting his or her bid or proposal that he or she shall require that the language of this certification be included in all lower tier subcontracts, which exceed \$100,000 and that all such recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

**ATTACHMENT A - EMPLOYMENT PREFERENCE FOR
APPALACHIAN CONTRACTS**
(Applicable to Appalachian contracts only)

1. During the performance of this contract, the contractor under taking to do work which is, or reasonably may be, done as on-site work, shall give preference to qualified persons who regularly reside in the labor area as designated by the DOL wherein the contract work is situated, or the subregion, or the Appalachian counties of the State wherein the contract work is situated, except:

a. To the extent that qualified persons regularly residing in the area are not available.

b. For the reasonable needs of the contractor to employ supervisory or specially experienced personnel necessary to assure an efficient execution of the contract work.

c. For the obligation of the contractor to offer employment to present or former employees as the result of a lawful collective bargaining contract, provided that the number of nonresident persons employed under this subparagraph 1 c shall not exceed 20 percent of the total number of employees employed by the contractor on the contract work, except as provided in subparagraph 4 below.

2. The contractor shall place a job order with the State Employment Service indicating (a) the classifications of the laborers, mechanics and other employees required to perform the contract work, (b) the number of employees required in each classification,

(c) The date on which he estimates such employees will be required, and (d) any other pertinent information required by the State Employment Service to complete the job order form. The job order may be placed with the State Employment Service in writing or by telephone. If during the course of the contract work, the information submitted by the contractor in the original job order is substantially modified, he shall promptly notify the State Employment Service.

3. The contractor shall give full consideration to all qualified job applicants referred to him by the State Employment Service. The contractor is not required to grant employment to any job applicants who, in his opinion, are not qualified to perform the classification of work required.

4. If, within 1 week following the placing of a job order by the contractor with the State Employment Service, the State Employment Service is unable to refer any qualified job applicants to the contractor, or less than the number requested, the State Employment Service will forward a certificate to the contractor indicating the unavailability of applicants. Such certificate shall be made a part of the contractor's permanent project records. Upon receipt of this certificate, the contractor may employ persons who do not normally reside in the labor area to fill positions covered by the certificate, notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph 1c above.

5. The contractor shall include the provisions of Sections 1 through 4 of this Attachment A in every subcontract for work which is, or reasonably may be, done as on-site work.

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The wage rates listed are those predetermined by the Secretary of Labor and State Statute to be the minimum wages paid. To determine the applicable wage rate zone, a list entitled "TEXAS COUNTIES IDENTIFIED BY WAGE RATE ZONES" is provided in the contract. Any wage rate that is not listed must be submitted to the Engineer for approval. **IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR STATE PROJECTS;** only the controlling wage rate zone applies to the contract. **Effective 03-07**

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100	Air Tool Operator						16.00	10.06	9.98				9.05	
103	Asphalt Heater Operator		11.21											
106	Asphalt Raker	8.99	9.51	8.49	8.58	9.11	9.96	11.01	9.30	11.13	9.36	9.58	9.53	10.63
109	Asphalt Shoveler			9.35	8.00		10.56	8.80	8.28	9.14			7.33	9.23
112	Batching Plant Weigher							14.15	17.11				11.15	
115	Batterboard Setter													
118	Carpenter	10.39	12.61	10.73	12.59	10.52	12.25	12.80	11.73	12.49	10.71	10.54	10.10	11.70
124	Concrete Finisher (Paving)	10.76	13.26	11.04	12.46	10.32	10.53	12.85	11.70	11.38	12.18	10.65	11.25	11.64
130	Concrete Finisher (Structures)		11.20	10.23	10.40	10.23	10.95	13.27	11.27	10.80	11.16	11.91	10.03	10.23
136	Concrete Rubber			10.00			10.88	10.61	9.49		10.50	11.75		9.00
139	Electrician		17.00		15.00	17.83	24.11	18.12	17.22	21.79			19.00	
148	Fireman													
150	Flagger	7.83		7.79	7.61		9.49	8.43	8.06	9.42	7.17	8.89	7.29	8.60
151	Form Builder/Setter, Structures		9.26	9.70	9.57	9.73	10.88	11.63	11.21	10.50	11.47	9.90	10.01	10.51
157	Form Liner (Paving & Curb)								8.00	11.75				
160	Form Setter (Paving & Curb)	9.32	9.82	10.50			9.89	11.83	10.63	10.51	9.65		9.43	9.48
172	Laborer (Common)	8.15	8.51	8.10	8.86	8.25	9.34	9.18	8.69	9.15	8.35	8.14	8.25	8.91
175	Laborer (Utility)	9.61	10.46	9.45	11.39	9.72	10.12	10.65	10.57	9.81	9.09	9.55	9.62	9.21
178	Lineperson													
181	Groundperson													
184	Manhole Builder									9.00				
187	Mechanic		16.85	12.22	13.53	12.82	14.74	16.97	14.79	13.72	13.17	12.16	14.05	12.18
193	Oiler						14.71	14.98	12.50	12.12			10.67	
194	Servicer	9.76	8.98	9.61	10.00	10.14	11.41	12.32	11.43	10.96	10.75	9.82	8.22	11.18
196	Painter (Structures)						11.00	13.17		15.54			11.00	
202	Piledriverman								11.00	12.22				
205	Pipelayer			9.05		9.83	10.49	11.04	10.85	9.49	9.00	8.85		9.71
211	Pneumatic Motor Operator													
214	Blaster													
300	Asphalt Distributor Operator	10.28	9.25	10.30	11.74	9.78	12.09	13.99	11.45	10.94	12.42	10.95	10.46	12.57
303	Asphalt Paving Machine Opr.	10.77	11.16	10.42	10.49	11.41	11.82	12.78	11.82	12.01	11.57	10.62	9.38	11.60
305	Broom or Sweeper Operator	8.92	8.57	8.26	8.47		9.74	9.88	9.09	11.19		8.44	8.01	9.32
306	Bulldozer Operator		9.76	10.13	11.97	10.60	11.04	13.22	11.80	11.81	10.90	10.13	10.88	11.69
315	Conc. Pav. Curing Machine Opr.						14.00	12.00		10.00				
318	Conc. Pav. Finishing Mach. Opr.					11.23	12.00	13.63		13.07				
321	Conc. Pav. Form Grader Opr.													
324	Conc. Pav. Gang Vibrator Opr.													
326	Conc. Pav. Grinder Opr.													
327	Conc. Pav. Joint Machine Opr.													
329	Conc. Pav. Joint Sealer Opr.							12.50		11.00				
330	Conc. Pav. Float Opr.													
333	Conc. Pav. Saw Opr.	12.09			12.13			13.56	12.30	12.75			15.00	
336	Conc. Pav. Spreader							14.50		10.44				
339	Conc. Pav. Sub-Grader Opr.													
340	Reinf. Steel Machine Operator													
341	Slip-Form Machine Operator		13.64				15.17	12.33		11.07				
342	Crane, Clamshell, Backhoe Derrick, Dragline, Shovel Operator	10.95	11.00	11.35	12.14	11.50	13.66	14.12	12.50	12.71	12.55	11.34	10.94	12.00
351	Crusher or Screen Plant Opr.	9.28								11.29			9.00	
354	Elevating Grader													
357	Form Loader													
360	Foundation Drill Opr.Crawler Mt.							13.67		15.00				
363	Foundation Drill Opr.Truck Mt.			13.78			15.00	16.30	16.00	12.73	15.32		18.00	14.58
369	Front End Loader	9.68	10.52	9.44	10.78	9.83	11.36	12.62	10.83	10.65	10.05	9.64	10.04	10.62
375	Hoist (Double Drum & Less)													
378	Hoist (Over 2 Drums)													
380	Milling Machine Opr.(Fine Grd)							11.83	10.25	13.17			12.20	
381	Mixer Operator						10.83	11.58	10.09	10.33				
387	Mixer Opr.(Concrete Paving)						15.25							
390	Motor Grader Opr. Fine Grade	14.67	13.50	12.91	13.35	14.18	15.26	15.20	14.29	11.67	13.78	13.58	13.24	15.15
393	Motor Grader Operator, Rough	18.00	11.75	12.39	13.34	15.00	12.96	14.50	13.11	13.13	15.00	12.66	14.36	12.95

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396	Pavement Marking Machine	9.11			10.56		11.52	10.04	11.17	8.18		11.48	9.26	13.32
397	Planer Operator	17.50	13.36				17.45						17.50	
399	Pump Crete													
402	Roller Opr.,Stl.Wheel(Plant Mix Pav)	8.92	7.50	8.77	9.75	9.35	10.24	11.28	9.70	11.07	9.49	9.27	9.81	10.59
405	Roller Opr.,Stl.Wheel(Flat Whl/Tamp)	8.76	8.06	8.03	9.23	8.49	9.60	10.92	8.75	10.43	8.57	8.57	8.66	9.30
408	Roller Opr.,Pneumatic (Self-Propell)	8.14	7.67	7.88	8.39	8.55	9.34	11.07	8.87	9.91	8.57	8.44	7.55	8.90
411	Scraper Operator	9.76	8.50	8.98	9.50	8.68	9.93	11.42	10.29	9.92	9.67	8.88	7.78	9.85
417	Self-Propelled Hammer Opr.													
419	Side Boom													
422	Tractor Operator(Crawler Type)	10.72					11.10	12.60	12.00	13.00				
428	Tractor Operator (Pneumatic)		12.00	9.51	11.00			12.91	11.57	10.07		10.02	8.58	
434	Traveling Mixer Operator	10.24	12.00	9.31	10.05		10.04	12.03	10.07	11.00		9.84	9.71	12.67
437	Trenching Machine, Light													
440	Trenching Machine, Heavy						14.22							
442	Tunneling Machine Operator													
443	Wagon Drill, Boring Machine, Post													
	Hole Driller Operator	10.33					14.65	14.00					8.86	
500	Reinforcing Steel Setter (Pav.)						15.50	14.86	13.48	15.14			9.50	
503	Reinforcing Steel Setter (Str.)						14.00	16.29	15.52	13.87			11.85	
	Reinforcing Steel Setter (Str.&Pav.)	10.94		10.67	12.52	10.29								
509	Structural Steel Worker						13.41			12.13	14.00			
513	Sign Erector													
515	Spreader Box Operator				13.12		10.39	10.92	10.39	11.12		10.98	10.07	13.00
518	Swamper													
520	Work Zone Barricade Servicer	9.50	8.28	8.88	7.85		11.15	10.09	9.52	9.94	8.97	9.34	8.64	9.63
522	Sign Installer (PGM)						14.85			8.54				
600	Truck Driver Single Axle, Light	10.03	8.08	9.36	9.62	9.56	9.98	10.91	10.24	10.07	9.00	9.79	7.55	10.85
603	Truck Driver Single Axle, Heavy	9.17	8.50	9.97	13.13	9.61	11.88	11.47	10.56	10.65	11.39	10.67	11.00	10.87
606	Truck Driver(Tandem Axle/ Semi)	9.29	8.66	8.84	10.51	9.50	10.95	11.75	10.33	10.25	9.39	9.14	9.02	10.05
609	Truck Driver Lowboy-Float		12.67	11.81	10.50		15.30	14.93	11.64	13.16	14.15	12.65	11.42	13.70
612	Truck Driver Transit-Mix							12.08						
615	Truck Driver Winch													
700	Vibrator Operator (Hand Type)													
703	Weigher (Truck Scales)													
706	Welder		15.25	11.74		12.08	14.26	13.57			18.00		9.75	
707	Slurry Seal Machine Operator													
708	Micro-Surfacing Machine Opr.													

Any worker employed on this project shall be paid at the rate of one and one half (1-1/2) times the regular rate for every hour worked in excess of forty (40) hour per week

Apprentice Schedule/Period and Rate*

Power equipment Operators:	1000 Hrs	6th	7th	8th
Heavy Duty Mechanic	" "	85	90	95
Boom Equipment	" "	95		
Motor Grader	" "	95		
Tractor & Scrapers, Pneumatic and Crawler	" "	95		

*The apprenetice rate is by percentage of the journeyman's rate; no wages shall be less that the rate for "Laborer (Common)".

TEXAS COUNTIES IDENTIFIED BY WAGE RATE ZONES: 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 41, 43, 45, 46, 118, 119, 120, 125

County Name	Z O N E	County Name	Z O N E	County Name	Z O N E	County Name	Z O N E
Anderson	45	Donley	120	Karnes	125	Reagan	120
Andrews	120	Duval	119	Kaufman	43	Real	120
Angelina	45	Eastland	120	Kendall	125	Red River	45
Aransas	125	Ector	28	Kenedy	119	Reeves	27
Archer	120	Edwards	27	Kent	120	Refugio	125
Armstrong	120	Ellis	43	Kerr	125	Roberts	120
Atascosa	125	El Paso	31	Kimble	120	Robertson	45
Austin	125	Erath	45	King	120	Rockwall	43
Bailey	120	Falls	45	Kinney	27	Runnels	120
Bandera	125	Fannin	45	Kleberg	125	Rusk	45
Bastrop	125	Fayette	125	Knox	120	Sabine	45
Baylor	120	Fisher	120	Lamar	45	San Augustine	45
Bee	125	Floyd	120	Lamb	120	San Jacinto	45
Bell	41	Foard	120	Lampasas	120	San Patricio	118
Bexar	41	Fort Bend	46	LaSalle	119	San Saba	120
Blanco	125	Franklin	45	Lavaca	125	Schleicher	120
Borden	120	Freestone	45	Lee	125	Scurry	120
Bosque	45	Frio	125	Leon	45	Shackelford	120
Bowie	30	Gaines	120	Liberty	46	Shelby	45
Brazoria	46	Galveston	46	Limestone	45	Sherman	120
Brazos	41	Garza	120	Lipscomb	120	Smith	30
Brewster	27	Gillespie	125	Live Oak	125	Somervell	45
Briscoe	120	Glasscock	120	Llano	125	Starr	119
Brooks	119	Goliad	125	Loving	120	Stephens	120
Brown	120	Gonzales	125	Lubbock	28	Sterling	120
Burleson	45	Gray	120	Lynn	120	Stonewall	120
Burnet	125	Grayson	43	Madison	45	Sutton	27
Caldwell	125	Gregg	30	Marion	45	Swisher	120
Calhoun	125	Grimes	45	Martin	120	Tarrant	43
Callahan	120	Guadalupe	41	Mason	125	Taylor	28
Cameron	29	Hale	120	Matagorda	125	Terrell	27
Camp	45	Hall	120	Maverick	119	Terry	120
Carson	120	Hamilton	45	McCulloch	120	Throckmorton	120
Cass	45	Hansford	120	McLennan	41	Titus	45
Castro	120	Hardeman	120	McMullen	119	Tom Green	28
Chambers	46	Hardin	46	Medina	125	Travis	41
Cherokee	45	Harris	46	Menard	120	Trinity	45
Childress	120	Harrison	30	Midland	28	Tyler	45
Clay	120	Hartley	120	Milam	45	Upshur	45
Cochran	120	Haskell	120	Mills	120	Upton	120
Coke	120	Hays	41	Mitchell	120	Uvalde	119
Coleman	120	Hemphill	120	Montague	120	Val Verde	27
Collin	43	Henderson	45	Montgomery	46	Van Zandt	45
Collingsworth	120	Hidalgo	29	Moore	120	Victoria	118
Colorado	125	Hill	45	Morris	45	Walker	45
Comal	41	Hockley	120	Motley	120	Waller	46
Comanche	120	Hood	45	Nacogdoches	45	Ward	120
Concho	120	Hopkins	45	Navarro	45	Washington	45
Cooke	120	Houston	45	Newton	45	Webb	29
Coryell	41	Howard	120	Nolan	120	Wharton	125
Cottle	120	Hudspeth	27	Nueces	118	Wheeler	120
Crane	120	Hunt	45	Ochiltree	120	Wichita	43
Crockett	27	Hutchinson	120	Oldham	120	Wilbarger	120
Crosby	120	Irion	120	Orange	46	Willacy	119
Culberson	27	Jack	45	Palo Pinto	45	Williamson	41
Dallam	120	Jackson	125	Panola	45	Wilson	125
Dallas	43	Jasper	45	Parker	43	Winkler	120
Dawson	120	Jeff Davis	27	Parmer	120	Wise	45
Deaf Smith	120	Jefferson	46	Pecos	27	Wood	45
Delta	45	Jim Hogg	119	Polk	45	Yoakum	120
Denton	43	Jim Wells	125	Potter	28	Young	120
DeWitt	125	Johnson	43	Presidio	27	Zapata	119
Dickens	120	Jones	120	Rains	45	Zavala	119
Dimmit	119			Randall	28		

SPECIAL PROVISION

000--1493

Schedule of Liquidated Damages

For Amount of Original Contract		Amount of Daily Contract
From More Than	To and Including	Administration Liquidated
		Damages per Working Day
\$0	100,000	425
100,000	500,000	500
500,000	1,000,000	525
1,000,000	2,000,000	625
2,000,000	5,000,000	800
5,000,000	10,000,000	1100
10,000,000	15,000,000	1400
15,000,000	25,000,000	1550
25,000,000	Over 25,000,000	2800

SPECIAL PROVISION

000--1483

**Notice of Changes to
U.S. Department of Labor Required Payroll Information**

Do not include employee addresses and social security numbers on the payroll submissions to the department. In lieu of the social security number, include an individually identifying number for each employee (Example: last four digits of the individual's social security number).

Maintain the full social security number and current address of each covered employee in files for 3 years after project completion and make the information available upon the Department's request.

Form FHWA 1273 and optional form WH-347 will be revised in the future to reflect these changes.

SPECIAL PROVISION

000---002

Partnering

- 1. General.** It is the intent of this provision to encourage the use of a Partnering arrangement between the Department and the Contractor. The use of Partnering on this project is voluntary, unless shown on the plans, and its use must be acceptable to both Department and Contractor personnel. Partnering can be initiated by TxDOT or the Contractor. The Partnering concept promotes an environment of trust, mutual respect, integrity and fair-dealing.
- 2. Procedures for Initial Partnering Meeting.** The Partnering Workshop initial meeting may last from 2 hours to 2 days and may contain one or more of the partnering modules selected by the Engineer and the Contractor, and may be prior to or combined with the pre-construction conference.
 - (1) Mutually agree upon an agenda (outline main elements-see modules for agenda contents), a location (city, hotel, etc.) and the scope and attendees. (The list of attendees will include the job title of each person, a contact, telephone and fax number.) The Department will furnish a recommended location list.
 - (2) Use of facilitator:
 - (a) The facilitator is to act as a neutral party seeking to advance proactive pre-project planning. There must be no perceived conflict of interest on the part of the facilitator in favor of either Engineer or Contractor.
 - (b) Contract Facilitator - Select 3 potential facilitators from the Department's approved list. The Engineer will select 1 of the 3 proposed facilitators.
 - (c) Internal Facilitator - The Engineer and the Contractor may choose a facilitator internal to one of their respective organizations to facilitate a workshop. This individual must have technical knowledge and ability to lead and guide discussions. This individual must be acceptable to both the Engineer and the Contractor. No payment will be made for internal facilitators.
 - (d) The Engineer and the Contractor will provide the facilitator with a list of attendees. The meeting arrangements (meeting space, A/V equipment, etc.) will be the responsibility of the contract facilitator.

The Contractor and the Department will be responsible for any arrangements for any expenses incurred by their respective employees, including but not limited to meals, travel and lodging.

- (e) The Engineer and the Contractor should contact the facilitator at least 3 weeks prior to the workshop, and should have a conference call with the facilitator at least 10 calendar days prior to the workshop to discuss ideas and to finalize the agenda. The agenda will be based on the needs of the team, and may be as specific as deemed necessary. The facilitator is responsible for developing the full agenda in conjunction with both parties.

3. **Participation in Partnering.** It is the responsibility of the Engineer and the Contractor to compile a list of and invite the key project personnel (inspectors, foremen, superintendents, bookkeepers, project engineers, etc.) to participate in the initial partnering workshop. It is also important to have representatives of all interested parties in attendance. Examples include but are not limited to subcontractors, material suppliers, city and county officials, and utility companies. In addition, the Contractor and Engineer should actively encourage district staff to participate as well. The Contractor and Engineer must agree that each of their personnel identified will be assigned to the project for its duration.
4. **Payment.** The cost of the partnering workshop will be shared equally by the Contractor and the Department. Be responsible for the partnering workshop expenses (meeting room, AV, supplies, cost of facilitator, etc.). The Department will reimburse the Contractor for 1/2 of the partnering workshop expenses as extra work on the next monthly estimate.
5. **Partnering Performance.** If the partnering agreement is not followed and after reasonable efforts to salvage it have been unsuccessful, either party may withdraw from the partnering agreement by written notice to the other party. The sole remedy for non-performance of the partnership shall be termination of the partnering agreement.

SPECIAL PROVISION

000---003

Notice to All Bidders

To report bid rigging activities call:

1-800-424-9071

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) operates the above toll-free “hotline” Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., eastern time. Anyone with knowledge of possible bid rigging, bidder collusion, or other fraudulent activities should use the “hotline” to report such activities.

The “hotline” is part of the DOT's continuing effort to identify and investigate highway construction contract fraud and abuse and is operated under the direction of the DOT Inspector General. All information will be treated confidentially and caller anonymity will be respected.

SPECIAL PROVISION

000---004

Notice of Requirement for Affirmative Action to Ensure Equal Employment Opportunity (Executive Order 11246)

- 1. General.** In addition to the affirmative action requirements of the Special Provision titled "Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications" as set forth elsewhere in this proposal, the Bidder's attention is directed to the specific requirements for utilization of minorities and females as set forth below.
- 2. Goals.**
 - a.** Goals for minority and female participation are hereby established in accordance with 41 CFR 60-4.
 - b.** The goals for minority and female participation expressed in percentage terms for the Contractor's aggregate work force in each trade on all construction work in the covered area, are as follows:

**Goals for minority
participation in
each trade (per-
cent)**

See Table 1

**Goals for female
participation in
each trade (per-
cent)**

6.9

- c.** These goals are applicable to all the Contractor's construction work (whether or not it is Federal or federally assisted) performed in the covered area. If the Contractor performs construction work in a geographical area located outside of the covered area, it shall apply the goals established for such geographical area where the work is actually performed. With regard to this second area, the Contractor also is subject to the goals for both its federally involved and non-federally involved construction. The Contractor's compliance with the Executive Order and the regulations in 41 CFR Part 60-4 shall be based on its implementation of the Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications Special Provision and its efforts to meet the goals. The hours of minority and female employment and training must be substantially uniform throughout the length of the contract, and in each trade, and the Contractor shall make a good faith effort to employ minorities and women evenly on each of its projects. The transfer of minority and female employees or trainees from Contractor to Contractor or from project to project for the sole purpose of meeting the Contractor's goals shall be a violation of the contract, the Executive Order and the regulations in 41 CFR Part 60-4. Compliance with the goals will be measured against the total work hours performed.

- d. A contractor or subcontractor will be considered in compliance with these provisions by participation in the Texas Highway-Heavy Branch, AGC, Statewide Training and Affirmative Action Plan. Provided that each contractor or subcontractor participating in this plan must individually comply with the equal opportunity clause set forth in 41 CFR 60-1.4 and must make a good faith effort to achieve the goals set forth for each participating trade in the plan in which it has employees. The overall good performance of other contractors and subcontractors toward a goal in an approved plan does not excuse any covered contractor's or subcontractor's failure to make good faith efforts to achieve the goals contained in these provisions. Contractors or subcontractors participating in the plan must be able to demonstrate their participation and document their compliance with the provisions of this Plan.
3. **Subcontracting.** The Contractor shall provide written notification to the Department within 10 working days of award of any construction subcontract in excess of \$10,000 at any tier for construction work under the contract resulting from this solicitation pending concurrence of the Department in the award. The notification shall list the names, address and telephone number of the subcontractor; employer identification number; estimated dollar amount of the subcontract; estimated starting and completion dates of the subcontract; and the geographical area in which the contract is to be performed.
4. **Covered Area.** As used in this special provision, and in the contract resulting from this solicitation, the geographical area covered by these goals for female participation is the State of Texas. The geographical area covered by these goals for other minorities are the counties in the State of Texas as indicated in Table 1.
5. **Reports.** The Contractor is hereby notified that he may be subject to the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP) reporting and record keeping requirements as provided for under Executive Order 11246 as amended. OFCCP will provide direct notice to the Contractor as to the specific reporting requirements that he will be expected to fulfill.

Table 1

County	Goals for Minority Participation	County	Goals for Minority Participation
Anderson	22.5	Concho	20.0
Andrews	18.9	Cooke	17.2
Angelina	22.5	Coryell	16.4
Aransas	44.2	Cottle	11.0
Archer	11.0	Crane	18.9
Armstrong	11.0	Crockett	20.0
Atascosa	49.4	Crosby	19.5
Austin	27.4	Culberson	49.0
Bailey	19.5	Dallam	11.0
Bandera	49.4	Dallas	18.2
Bastrop	24.2	Dawson	19.5
Baylor	11.0	Deaf Smith	11.0
Bee	44.2	Delta	17.2
Bell	16.4	Denton	18.2
Bexar	47.8	DeWitt	27.4
Blanco	24.2	Dickens	19.5
Borden	19.5	Dimmit	49.4
Bosque	18.6	Donley	11.0
Bowie	19.7	Duval	44.2
Brazoria	27.3	Eastland	10.9
Brazos	23.7	Ector	15.1
Brewster	49.0	Edwards	49.4
Briscoe	11.0	Ellis	18.2
Brooks	44.2	El Paso	57.8
Brown	10.9	Erath	17.2
Burleson	27.4	Falls	18.6
Burnet	24.2	Fannin	17.2
Caldwell	24.2	Fayette	27.4
Calhoun	27.4	Fisher	10.9
Callahan	11.6	Floyd	19.5
Cameron	71.0	Foard	11.0
Camp	20.2	Fort Bend	27.3
Carson	11.0	Franklin	17.2
Cass	20.2	Freestone	18.6
Castro	11.0	Frio	49.4
Chambers	27.4	Gaines	19.5
Cherokee	22.5	Galveston	28.9
Childress	11.0	Garza	19.5
Clay	12.4	Gillespie	49.4
Cochran	19.5	Glasscock	18.9
Coke	20.0	Goliad	27.4
Coleman	10.9	Gonzales	49.4
Collin	18.2	Gray	11.0
Collingsworth	11.0	Grayson	9.4
Colorado	27.4	Gregg	22.8
Comal	47.8	Grimes	27.4
Comanche	10.9	Guadalupe	47.8

County	Goals for Minority Participation	County	Goals for Minority Participation
Hale	19.5	Lavaca	27.4
Hall	11.0	Lee	24.2
Hamilton	18.6	Leon	27.4
Hansford	11.0	Liberty	27.3
Hardeman	11.0	Limestone	18.6
Hardin	22.6	Lipscomb	11.0
Harris	27.3	Live Oak	44.2
Harrison	22.8	Llano	24.2
Hartley	11.0	Loving	18.9
Haskell	10.9	Lubbock	19.6
Hays	24.1	Lynn	19.5
Hemphill	11.0	Madison	27.4
Henderson	22.5	Marion	22.5
Hidalgo	72.8	Martin	18.9
Hill	18.6	Mason	20.0
Hockley	19.5	Matagorda	27.4
Hood	18.2	Maverick	49.4
Hopkins	17.2	McCulloch	20.0
Houston	22.5	McLennan	20.7
Howard	18.9	McMullen	49.4
Hudspeth	49.0	Medina	49.4
Hunt	17.2	Menard	20.0
Hutchinson	11.0	Midland	19.1
Irion	20.0	Milam	18.6
Jack	17.2	Mills	18.6
Jackson	27.4	Mitchell	10.9
Jasper	22.6	Montague	17.2
Jeff Davis	49.0	Montgomery	27.3
Jefferson	22.6	Moore	11.0
Jim Hogg	49.4	Morris	20.2
Jim Wells	44.2	Motley	19.5
Johnson	18.2	Nacogdoches	22.5
Jones	11.6	Navarro	17.2
Karnes	49.4	Newton	22.6
Kaufman	18.2	Nolan	10.9
Kendall	49.4	Nueces	41.7
Kenedy	44.2	Ochiltree	11.0
Kent	10.9	Oldham	11.0
Kerr	49.4	Orange	22.6
Kimble	20.0	Palo Pinto	17.2
King	19.5	Panola	22.5
Kinney	49.4	Parker	18.2
Kleberg	44.2	Parmer	11.0
Knox	10.9	Pecos	18.9
Lamar	20.2	Polk	27.4
Lamb	19.5	Potter	9.3
Lampasas	18.6	Presidio	49.0
LaSalle	49.4	Rains	17.2

County	Goals for Minority Participation	County	Goals for Minority Participation
Randall	9.3	Webb	87.3
Reagan	20.0	Wharton	27.4
Real	49.4	Wheeler	11.0
Red River	20.2	Wichita	12.4
Reeves	18.9	Wilbarger	11.0
Refugio	44.2	Willacy	72.9
Roberts	11.0	Williamson	24.1
Robertson	27.4	Wilson	49.4
Rockwall	18.2	Winkler	18.9
Runnels	20.0	Wise	18.2
Rusk	22.5	Wood	22.5
Sabine	22.6	Yoakum	19.5
San Augustine	22.5	Young	11.0
San Jacinto	27.4	Zapata	49.4
San Patricio	41.7	Zavala	49.4
San Saba	20.0		
Schleicher	20.0		
Scurry	10.9		
Shackelford	10.9		
Shelby	22.5		
Sherman	11.0		
Smith	23.5		
Somervell	17.2		
Starr	72.9		
Stephens	10.9		
Sterling	20.0		
Stonewall	10.9		
Sutton	20.0		
Swisher	11.0		
Tarrant	18.2		
Taylor	11.6		
Terrell	20.0		
Terry	19.5		
Throckmorton	10.9		
Titus	20.2		
Tom Green	19.2		
Travis	24.1		
Trinity	27.4		
Tyler	22.6		
Upshur	22.5		
Upton	18.9		
Uvalde	49.4		
Val Verde	49.4		
Van Zandt	17.2		
Victoria	27.4		
Walker	27.4		
Waller	27.3		
Ward	18.9		
Washington	27.4		

SPECIAL PROVISION

000---461

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise in Federal-Aid Construction

- 1. Description.** The purpose of this Special Provision is to carry out the U. S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) policy of ensuring nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT assisted contracts and creating a level playing field on which firms owned and controlled by individuals who are determined to be socially and economically disadvantaged can compete fairly for DOT assisted contracts. If the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal is greater than zero, Article A, "Disadvantaged Business Enterprise in Federal-Aid Construction", of this Special Provision shall apply to this contract. If there is no DBE goal, Article B, "Race-Neutral DBE Participation", of this Special Provision shall apply to this contract. The percentage goal for DBE participation in the work to be performed under this contract will be shown on the proposal.

A. Article A. Disadvantaged Business Enterprise in Federal-Aid Construction.

- 1. Policy.** It is the policy of the DOT and the Texas Department of Transportation (henceforth the "Department") that DBEs, as defined in 49 CFR Part 26, Subpart A and the Department's DBE Program, shall have the opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts financed in whole or in part with Federal funds. The DBE requirements of 49 CFR Part 26, and the Department's DBE Program, apply to this contract as follows:
 - a.** The Contractor will solicit DBEs through reasonable and available means, as defined in 49 CFR Part 26, Appendix A and the Department's DBE Program, or show a good faith effort to meet the DBE goal for this contract.
 - b.** The Contractor, subrecipient or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as the recipient deems appropriate.
 - c.** The requirements of this Special Provision shall be physically included in any subcontract.
 - d.** By signing the contract proposal, the Bidder is certifying that the DBE goal as stated in the proposal will be met by obtaining commitments from eligible DBEs or that the Bidder will provide acceptable evidence of good faith effort to meet the commitment. The Department will determine the adequacy of a Contractor's efforts to meet the contract goal, within 10 business days,

excluding national holidays, from receipt of the information outlined in this Special Provision under Section 1.A.3, "Contractor's Responsibilities." If the requirements of Section 1.A.3 are met, the conditional situation will be removed and the contract will be forwarded to the Contractor for execution.

2. Definitions.

- a. "Department" means the Texas Department of Transportation.
- b. "DOT" means the U.S. Department of Transportation, including the Office of the Secretary, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA).
- c. "Federal-Aid Contract" is any contract between the Texas Department of Transportation and a Contractor which is paid for in whole or in part with DOT financial assistance.
- d. "DBE Joint Venture" means an association of a DBE firm and 1 or more other firm(s) to carry out a single business enterprise for profit for which purpose they combine their property, capital, efforts, skills and knowledge, and in which the DBE is responsible for a distinct, clearly defined portion of the work of the contract and whose share in the capital contribution, control, management, risks, and profits of the joint venture are commensurate with its ownership interest.
- e. "Disadvantaged Business Enterprise" or "DBE" means a firm certified through the Texas Unified Certification Program in accordance with 49 CFR Part 26.
- f. "Good Faith Effort" means efforts to achieve a DBE goal or other requirement of this Special Provision which, by their scope, intensity, and appropriateness to the objective, can reasonably be expected to fulfill the program requirement.
- g. "Manufacturer" is a firm that operates or maintains a factory or establishment that produces, on the premises, the materials, supplies, articles, or equipment required under the contract and of the general character described by the specifications."
- h. "Regular Dealer" is a firm that owns, operates, or maintains a store, warehouse, or other establishment in which the materials, supplies, articles or equipment of the general character described by the specifications and required under the contract are bought, kept in stock, and regularly sold or leased to the public in the usual course of business. To be a regular dealer, the firm must be an established, regular business that engages in, as its principal business and under its own name, the purchase and sale or lease of the products in question.

A regular dealer in such bulk items as steel, cement, gravel, stone, and petroleum products need not keep such products in stock if it owns and operates distribution equipment for the products. Any supplementing of regular dealers own distribution equipment shall be by a long-term lease agreement and not on an ad hoc or contract-by-contract basis. Brokers,

packagers, manufacturers' representatives, or other persons who arrange or expedite transactions shall not be regarded as a regular dealer.

- i. "Broker" is an intermediary or middleman that does not take possession of a commodity or act as a regular dealer selling to the public.
- j. "Race-neutral DBE Participation" means any participation by a DBE through customary competitive procurement procedures.
- k. "Race-conscious" means a measure or program that is focused specifically on assisting only DBEs, including women-owned businesses.
- l. "Texas Unified Certification Program" or "TUCP" provides one-stop shopping to applicants for certification, such that applicants are required to apply only once for a DBE certification that will be honored by all recipients of federal funds in the state. The TUCP by Memorandum of Agreement established six member entities to serve as certifying agents for Texas in specified regions.

3. Contractor's Responsibilities. These requirements must be satisfied by the Contractor.

- a. After conditional award of the contract, the Contractor shall submit a completed Form No.SMS.4901, "DBE Commitment Agreement" for each DBE he/she intends to use to satisfy the DBE goal or a good faith effort to explain why the goal could not be reached, so as to arrive in the Department's Business Opportunity Programs (BOP) Office in Austin, Texas not later than 5:00 p.m. on the 10th business day, excluding national holidays, after the conditional award of the contract. When requested, additional time, not to exceed 7 business days, excluding national holidays, may be granted based on documentation submitted by the Contractor.
- b. DBE prime Contractors may receive credit toward the DBE goal for work performed by his/her own forces and work subcontracted to DBEs. A DBE prime must make a good faith effort to meet the goals. In the event a DBE prime subcontracts to a non-DBE, that information must be reported on Form No. SMS.4902.
- c. A Contractor who cannot meet the contract goal, in whole or in part, shall make adequate good faith efforts to obtain DBE participation as so stated and defined in 49 CFR Part 26, Appendix A. The following is a list of the types of action that may be considered as good faith efforts. It is not intended to be a mandatory checklist, nor is it intended to be exclusive or exhaustive. Other factors or types of efforts may be relevant in appropriate cases.
 - Soliciting through all reasonable and available means (e.g. attendance at prebid meetings, advertising, and/or written notices) the interest of all certified DBEs who have the capability to perform the work of the contract. The solicitation must be done within sufficient time to allow the DBEs to respond to it. Appropriate steps must be taken to follow up initial solicitations to determine, with certainty, if the DBEs are interested.

- Selecting portions of the work to be performed by DBEs in order to increase the likelihood that the DBE goals will be achieved. This includes, where appropriate, breaking out contract work items into economically feasible units to facilitate DBE participation, even when the Contractor might otherwise prefer to perform the work items with its own forces.
- Providing interested DBEs with adequate information about the plans, specifications, and requirements of the contract in a timely manner to assist them in responding to a solicitation.
- Negotiating in good faith with interested DBEs to make a portion of the work available to DBE subcontractors and suppliers and select those portions of the work or material needs consistent with the available DBE subcontractors and suppliers, so as to facilitate DBE participation. Evidence of such negotiations includes the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of DBEs that were considered; a description of the information provided regarding the plans and specifications for the work selected for subcontracting; and evidence as to why additional agreements could not be reached for DBEs to perform the work.
- A Bidder using good business judgment would consider a number of factors in negotiating with subcontractors, including DBE subcontractors, and would take a firm price and capabilities as well as contract goals into consideration. However, the fact that there may be some additional cost involved in finding and using DBEs is not in itself sufficient reason for a bidders failure to meet the Contract DBE goal as long as such cost are reasonable. Also, the ability or desire of the Contractor to perform the work of the Contract with its own organization does not relieve the Bidder of the responsibility to make good faith effort. Contractors are not, however, required to accept higher quotes from DBEs if the price difference is excessive or unreasonable.
- Not rejecting DBEs as being unqualified without sound reasons based on a thorough investigation of their capabilities. The Contractor's standing within its industry, membership in specific groups, organizations, or associations and political or social affiliations (for example union vs. non-union employee status) are not legitimate cause for the rejection or non-solicitation of bids and the Contractors efforts to meet the project goal.
- Making efforts to assist interested DBEs in obtaining bonding, lines of credit, or insurance as required by the recipient or Contractor.
- Making efforts to assist interested DBEs in obtaining necessary equipment, supplies, materials, or related assistance or services.
- Effectively using the services of available minority/women community organizations; minority/women Contractors' groups; local, state, and Federal minority/women business assistance offices; and other organizations as allowed on a case-by-case basis to provide assistance in the recruitment and placement of DBEs.
- If the Program Manager of the BOP Office determines that the Contractor has failed to meet the good faith effort requirements, the Contractor will

be given an opportunity for reconsideration by the Director of the BOP Office.

- d. Should the bidder to whom the contract is conditionally awarded refuse, neglect or fail to meet the DBE goal or comply with good faith effort requirements, the proposal guaranty filed with the bid shall become the property of the state, not as a penalty, but as liquidated damages to the Department.
- e. The preceding information shall be submitted directly to the Business Opportunity Programs Office, Texas Department of Transportation, 125 E. 11th Street, Austin, Texas 78701-2483.
- f. The Contractor shall not terminate for convenience a DBE subcontractor named in the commitment submitted under Section 1.A.3.a. of this Special Provision. Prior to terminating or removing a DBE subcontractor named in the commitment, the Contractor must have a written consent of the Department.
- g. The Contractor shall also make a good faith effort to replace a DBE subcontractor that is unable to perform successfully with another DBE, to the extent needed to meet the contract goal. The Contractor shall submit a completed Form No.4901, "DBE Commitment Agreement," for the substitute DBE firm(s). Any substitution of DBEs shall be subject to approval by the Department. Prior to approving the substitution, the Department will request a statement from the DBE concerning it being replaced.
- h. The Contractor shall designate a DBE liaison officer who will administer the Contractor's DBE program and who will be responsible for maintenance of records of efforts and contacts made to subcontract with DBEs.
- i. Contractors are encouraged to investigate the services offered by banks owned and controlled by disadvantaged individuals and to make use of these banks where feasible.

4. Eligibility of DBEs.

- a. The member entities of the TUCP certify the eligibility of DBEs and DBE joint ventures to perform DBE subcontract work on DOT financially assisted contracts.
- b. The Department maintains the Texas Unified Certification Program DBE Directory containing the names of firms that have been certified to be eligible to participate as DBE's on DOT financially assisted contracts. This Directory is available from the Department's BOP Office. An update of the Directory can be found on the Internet at <http://www.dot.state.tx.us/business/tucpinfo.htm>.
- c. Only DBE firms certified at the time commitments are submitted are eligible to be used in the information furnished by the Contractor as required under Section 1.A.3.a. and 3.g. above. For purposes of the DBE goal on this project,

DBEs will only be allowed to perform work in the categories of work for which they are certified.

- d. Only DBE firms certified at the time of execution of a contract/subcontract/purchase order, are eligible for DBE goal participation.

5. Determination of DBE Participation. When a DBE participates in a contract, only the values of the work actually performed by the DBE, as referenced below, shall be counted by the prime contractor toward DBE goals:

- a. The total amount paid to the DBE for work performed with his/her own forces is counted toward the DBE goal. When a DBE subcontracts part of the work of its contract to another firm, the value of the subcontracted work may be counted toward DBE goals only if the subcontractor is itself a DBE. Work that a DBE subcontracts to a non-DBE firm does not count toward DBE goals.

- b. A Contractor may count toward its DBE goal a portion of the total value of the contract amount paid to a DBE joint venture equal to the distinct, clearly defined portion of the work of the contract performed by the DBE.

- (1) A Contractor may count toward its DBE goal only expenditures to DBEs that perform a commercially useful function (CUF) in the work of a contract or purchase order. A DBE is considered to perform a CUF when it is responsible for execution of the work of the contract and is carrying out its responsibilities by actually performing, managing, and supervising the work involved. To perform a CUF, the DBE must also be responsible, with respect to materials and supplies used on the contract, for negotiating price, determining quality and quantity, ordering the material, and installing (where applicable) and paying for the material itself.

In accordance with 49 CFR Part 26, Appendix A, guidance concerning Good Faith Efforts, contractors may make efforts to assist interested DBEs in obtaining necessary equipment, supplies, materials, or related assistance or services. Contractors may not however, negotiate the price of materials or supplies used on the contract by the DBE, nor may they determine quality and quantity, order the materials themselves, nor install the materials (where applicable), or pay for the material themselves. Contractors however, may share the quotations they receive from the material supplier with the DBE firm, so that the DBE firm may negotiate a reasonable price with the material supplier.

In all cases, prime or other subcontractor assistance will not be credited toward the DBE goal.

- (2) A DBE does not perform a CUF if its role is limited to that of an extra participant in a transaction, contract, or project through which funds are passed in order to obtain the appearance of DBE participation.

Consistent with industry practices and the DOT/Department's DBE program, a DBE subcontractor may enter into second-tier subcontracts, amounting up to 70% of their contract. Work subcontracted to a non-DBE does not count towards DBE goals. If a DBE does not perform or exercise responsibility for at least 30% of the total cost of its contract with its own work force, or the DBE subcontracts a greater portion of the work of a contract than would be expected on the basis of normal industry practice for the type of work involved, it will be presumed that the DBE is not performing a CUF

- (3) A DBE trucking firm (including an owner operator who is certified as a DBE is considered to be performing a CUF when the DBE is responsible for the management and supervision of the entire trucking operation on a particular contract and the DBE itself owns and operates at least 1 fully licensed, insured, and operational truck used on the contract.
 - (a) The Contractor receives credit for the total value of the transportation services the DBE provides on a contract using trucks it owns, insures, and operates using drivers it employs.
 - (b) The DBE may lease trucks from another DBE firm, including an owner operator who is certified as a DBE. The DBE who leases trucks from another DBE receives credit for the total value of the transportation services the lessee DBE provides on the Contract.
 - (c) The DBE may also lease trucks from a non-DBE firm, including from an owner-operator. The DBE who leases trucks from a non-DBE is entitled to credit for the total value of transportation services provided by non-DBE lessees not to exceed the value of transportation services provided by the DBE-owned trucks on the contract. Additional participation by non-DBE lessees receive credit only for the fee or commission it receives as result of the lease arrangement
 - (d) A lease must indicate that the DBE has exclusive use of and control over the trucks giving the DBE absolute priority for use of the leased trucks. Leased trucks must display the name and identification number of the DBE.
- (4) When a DBE is presumed not to be performing a CUF the DBE may present evidence to rebut this presumption.
- c. A Contractor may count toward its DBE goals expenditures for materials and supplies obtained from a DBE manufacturer, provided that the DBE assumes the actual and contractual responsibility for the materials and supplies. Count expenditures with DBEs for materials or supplies toward DBE goals as provided in the following:

- (1) If the materials or supplies are obtained from a DBE manufacturer, count 100% of the cost of the materials or supplies toward DBE goals.
(Definition of a DBE manufacturer found at 1A.c.(1) of this provision.)

For purposes of this Section (1.A.c.(1)), a manufacturer is a firm that operates or maintains a factory or establishment that produces, on the premises, the materials, supplies, articles, or equipment required under the contract and of the general character described by the specifications.

- (2) If the materials or supplies are purchased from a DBE regular dealer, count 60% of the cost of the materials or supplies toward DBE goals.

For purposes of this Section (1.A.5.c.(2)), a regular dealer is a firm that owns, operates, or maintains a store, warehouse, or other establishment in which the materials, supplies, articles or equipment of the general character described by the specifications and required under the contract are bought, kept in stock, and regularly sold or leased to the public in the usual course of business:

- (A) To be a regular dealer, the firm must be an established, regular business that engages, as its principal business and under its own name, in the purchase and sale or lease of the products in question.
 - (B) A person may be a regular dealer in such bulk items as petroleum products, steel, cement, gravel, stone or asphalt without owning, operating, or maintaining a place of business as provided in the first paragraph under Section 1.A.5.c.(2), if the person both owns and operates distribution equipment for the products. Any supplementing of regular dealers' own distribution equipment shall be by a long-term lease agreement and not on an ad hoc or contract-by-contract basis.
 - (C) Packagers, brokers, manufacturers' representatives, or other persons who arrange or expedite transactions are not regular dealers within the meaning of Section 1.A.5.c.(2).
- (3) With respect to materials or supplies purchased from DBE which is neither a manufacturer nor a regular dealer, count the entire amount of fees or commissions charged for assistance in the procurement of the materials and supplies, or fees or transportation charges for the delivery of materials or supplies required on a job site, toward DBE goals, provided you determine the fees to be reasonable and not excessive as compared with fees customarily allowed for similar services. Do not count any portion of the cost of the materials and supplies themselves toward DBE goals.
 - (4) Count the entire amount of fees or commissions charged by a DBE firm for providing a bona fide service, such as professional, technical, consultant or managerial services, or for providing bonds or insurance

specifically required for the performance of a DOT-assisted contract, toward DBE goals, provided you determine the fee to be reasonable and not excessive as compared with fees customarily allowed for similar services.

- d. If the Contractor chooses to assist a DBE firm, other than a manufacturing material supplier or regular dealer, and the DBE firm accepts the assistance, the Contractor may act solely as a guarantor by use of a two-party check for payment of materials to be used on the project by the DBE. The material supplier must invoice the DBE who will present the invoice to the Contractor. The Contractor may issue a joint check to the DBE and the material supplier and the DBE firm must issue the remittance to the material supplier. No funds shall go directly from the Contractor to the material supplier. The DBE firm may accept or reject this joint checking arrangement.

The Contractor must obtain approval from the Department prior to implementing the use of joint check arrangements with the DBE. Submit to the Department, Joint Check Approval Form 2178 for requesting approval. Provide copies of cancelled joint checks upon request. No DBE goal credit will be allowed for the cost of DBE materials that are paid by the Contractor directly to the material supplier.

- e. No DBE goal credit will be allowed for supplies and equipment the DBE subcontractor leases from the contractor or its affiliates.
- f. No DBE goal credit will be allowed for the period of time determined by the Department that the DBE was not performing a CUF. The denial period of time may occur before or after a determination has been made by the department. In case of the denial of credit for non-performance of a CUF of a DBE, the Contractor will be required to provide a substitute DBE to meet the contract goal or provide an adequate good faith effort when applicable.

6. Records and Reports.

- a. The Contractor shall submit monthly reports, after work begins, on DBE payments to meet the DBE goal and for DBE or HUB race-neutral participation. Report payments made to non-DBE HUBs. The monthly report is to be sent to the Area Engineer. These reports will be due within 15 days after the end of a calendar month. These reports will be required until all DBE subcontracting or material supply activity is completed. Form No. SMS.4903, "DBE or HUB Progress Report," is to be used for monthly reporting. Form No. SMS.4904, "DBE or HUB Final Report," is to be used as a final summary of DBE payments submitted upon completion of the project. The original final report must be submitted to the Business Opportunity Programs Office and a copy must be submitted to the Area Engineer. These forms may be obtained from the Department or may be reproduced by the Contractor. The Department may verify the amounts being reported as paid to DBEs by requesting copies of cancelled checks paid to DBEs on a random basis.

Cancelled checks and invoices should reference the Department's project number.

- b. DBE subcontractors and/or material suppliers should be identified on the monthly report by Vendor Number, name, and the amount of actual payment made to each during the monthly period. Negative reports are required when no activity has occurred in a monthly period.
- c. All such records must be retained for a period of 3 years following completion of the contract work, and shall be available at reasonable times and places for inspection by authorized representatives of the Department or the DOT. Provide copies of subcontracts or agreements and other documentation upon request.
- d. Prior to receiving final payment, the Contractor shall submit Form SMS.4904, "DBE or HUB Final Report". If the DBE goal requirement is not met, documentation supporting Good Faith Efforts, as outlined in Section 1.A.3.c. of this Special Provision, must be submitted with the "DBE or HUB Final Report."
- e. Provide a certification of prompt payment, the Prompt Payment Certification Form 2177, to certify that all subcontractors and suppliers were paid from the previous months payments and retainage was released for those whose work is complete. Submit the completed form each month and the month following the month when final acceptance occurred at the end of the project.

7. **Compliance of Contractor.** To ensure that DBE requirements of this DOT assisted contract are complied with, the Department will monitor the Contractor's efforts to involve DBEs during the performance of this contract. This will be accomplished by a review of monthly reports submitted to the Area Engineer by the Contractor indicating his progress in achieving the DBE contract goal, and by compliance reviews conducted on the project site by the Department.

The Contractor shall receive credit toward the DBE goal based on actual payments to the DBE subcontractor. The Contractor shall notify the Area Engineer if he/she withholds or reduces payment to any DBE subcontractor. The Contractor shall submit an affidavit detailing the DBE subcontract payments prior to receiving final payment for the contract.

Contractors' requests for substitutions of DBE subcontractors shall be accompanied by a detailed explanation which should substantiate the need for a substitution. The Contractor may not be allowed to count work on those items being substituted toward the DBE goal prior to approval of the substitution from the Department.

The prime Contractor is prohibited from providing work crews and equipment to DBEs. DBE Goal credit for the DBE subcontractors leasing of equipment or purchasing of supplies from the prime contractor or its affiliates is not allowed.

When a DBE subcontractor, named in the commitment under Section 1.A.3.a. of this Special Provision, is terminated or fails to complete its work on the contract for any reason, the prime contractor is required to make good faith efforts to find another DBE subcontractor to substitute for the original DBE. These good faith efforts shall be directed at finding another DBE to perform at least the same amount of work under the contract as the DBE that was terminated, to the extent needed to meet the contract goal.

A Contractor's failure to comply with the requirements of this Special Provision shall constitute a material breach of this contract. In such a case, the Department reserves the right to terminate the contract; to deduct the amount of DBE goal not accomplished by DBEs from the money due or to become due the Contractor, or to secure a refund, not as a penalty but as liquidated damages to the Department or such other remedy or remedies as the Department deems appropriate.

B. Article B. Race-Neutral Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Participation. It is the policy of the DOT that Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) as defined in 49 CFR Part 26 Subpart A, be given the opportunity to compete fairly for contracts and subcontracts financed in whole or in part with Federal funds and that a maximum feasible portion of the Department's overall DBE goal be met using race-neutral means. Consequently, if there is no DBE goal, the DBE requirements of 49 CFR Part 26, apply to this contract as follows:

The Contractor will offer DBEs as defined in 49 CFR Part 26, Subpart A, the opportunity to compete fairly for contracts and subcontractors financed in whole or in part with Federal funds. Race-Neutral DBE and non-DBE HUB participation on projects with no DBE goal shall be reported on Form No. SMS.4903, "DBE or HUB Progress Report" and submitted to the Area Engineer each month and at project completion. Payments to DBEs reported on Form SMS.4903 are subject to the requirements of Section 1.A.5, "Determination of DBE Participation."

The Contractor, subrecipient or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The Contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as the recipient deems appropriate.

SPECIAL PROVISION

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Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications (Executive Order 11246)

- 1.** As used in these specifications:
 - a.** "Covered area" means the geographical area described in the solicitation from which this contract resulted;
 - b.** "Director" means Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, United States Department of Labor, or any person to whom the Director delegates authority;
 - c.** "Employer identification number" means the Federal Social Security number used on the Employer's Quarterly Federal Tax Return, U.S. Treasury Department Form 941.
 - d.** "Minority" includes:
 - (i)** Black (all persons having origins in any of the Black African racial groups not of Hispanic origin);
 - (ii)** Hispanic (all persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American or other Spanish Culture or origin, regardless of race);
 - (iii)** Asian and Pacific Islander (all persons having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian Subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands); and
 - (iv)** American Indian or Alaskan Native (all persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North American and maintaining identifiable tribal affiliations through membership and participation or community identification).
- 2.** Whenever the Contractor, or any Subcontractor at any tier, subcontracts a portion of the work involving any construction trade, it shall physically include in each subcontract in excess of \$10,000 the provisions of these specifications and the Notice which contains the applicable goals for minority and female participation and which is set forth in the solicitations from which this contract resulted.
- 3.** If the Contractor is participating (pursuant to 41 CFR 60-4.5) in a Hometown Plan approved by the U. S. Department of Labor in the covered area either individually or through an association, its affirmative action obligations on all work in the Plan area (including goals and timetables) shall be in accordance with that plan for those trades which have unions participating in the Plan. Contractors must be able to demonstrate their participation in and compliance with the provisions of any such Hometown Plan. Each Contractor or Subcontractor participating in an approved Plan is individually required to comply with its

obligations under the EEO clause, and to make a good faith effort to achieve each goal under the Plan in each trade in which it has employees. The overall good faith performance by other Contractors or Subcontractors toward a goal in an approved Plan does not excuse any covered Contractor's or Subcontractor's failure to take good faith efforts to achieve the Plan goals and timetables.

4. The Contractor shall implement the specific affirmative action standards provided in paragraphs 7a through p of these specifications. The goals set forth in the solicitation from which this contract resulted are expressed as percentages of the total hours of employment and training of minority and female utilization the Contractor should reasonably be able to achieve in each construction trade in which it has employees in the covered area. Covered construction contractors performing contracts in geographical areas where they do not have a Federal or federally assisted construction contract shall apply the minority and female goals established for the geographical area where the contract is being performed. Goals are published periodically in the Federal Register in notice form and such notices may be obtained from any Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs office or any Federal procurement contracting officer. The Contractor is expected to make substantially uniform progress toward its goals in each craft during the period specified.
5. Neither the provisions of any collective bargaining agreement, nor the failure by a union with whom the Contractor has a collective bargaining agreement, to refer either minorities or women shall excuse the Contractor's obligations under these specifications, Executive Order 11246, or the regulations promulgated pursuant thereto.
6. In order for the nonworking training hours of apprentices and trainees to be counted in meeting the goals, such apprentices and trainees must be employed by the Contractor during the training period, and the Contractor must have made a commitment to employ the apprentices and trainees at the completion of their training, subject to the availability of employment opportunities. Trainees must be trained pursuant to training programs approved by the U. S. Department of Labor.
7. The Contractor shall take specific affirmative actions to ensure equal employment opportunity. The evaluation of the Contractor's compliance with these specifications shall be based upon its effort to achieve maximum results from its actions. The Contractor shall document these efforts fully, and shall implement affirmative action steps at least as extensive as the following:
 - a. Ensure and maintain a working environment free of harassment, intimidation, and coercion at all sites, and in all facilities at which the Contractor's employees are assigned to work. The Contractor, where possible, will assign two or more women to each construction project. The Contractor shall specifically ensure that all foremen, superintendents, and other on-site supervisory personnel are aware of and carry out the Contractor's obligation to maintain such a working environment, with specific attention to minority or female individuals working at such sites or in such facilities.
 - b. Establish and maintain a current list of minority and female recruitment sources, provide written notification to minority and female recruitment sources and to community organizations when the Contractor or its unions have employment opportunities available, and maintain a record of the organizations' responses.

- c. Maintain a current file of the names, addresses and telephone numbers of each minority and female off-the-street applicant and minority or female referral from a union, a recruitment source or community organization and of what action was taken with respect to each such individual. If such individual was sent to the union hiring hall for referral and was not referred back to the Contractor by the union or, if referred, not employed by the Contractor, this shall be documented in the file with the reason therefor, along with whatever additional actions the Contractor may have taken.
- d. Provide immediate written notification to the Director when the union or unions with which the Contractor has a collective bargaining agreement has not referred to the Contractor a minority person or woman sent by the Contractor, or when the Contractor has other information that the union referral Process has impeded the Contractor's efforts to meet its obligations.
- e. Develop on-the-job training opportunities and/or participate in training programs for the area which expressly include minorities and women, including upgrading programs and apprenticeship and trainee programs relevant to the Contractor's employment needs, especially those programs funded or approved by the Department of Labor. The Contractor shall provide notice of these programs to the sources compiled under 7b above.
- f. Disseminate the Contractor's EEO policy by providing notice of the policy to unions and training programs and requesting their cooperation in assisting the Contractor in meeting its EEO obligations; by including it in any policy manual and Collective bargaining agreement; by publicizing it in the company newspaper, annual report, etc.; by specific review of the policy with all management personnel and with all minority and female employees at least once a year; and by posting the company EEO policy on bulletin boards accessible to all employees at each location where construction work is performed.
- g. Review, at least annually, the company's EEO policy and affirmative action obligations under these specifications with all employees having any responsibility for hiring, assignment, layoff, termination or other employment decisions including specific review of these items with onsite supervisory personnel such as Superintendents, General Foremen, etc., prior to the initiation of construction work at any job site. A written record shall be made and maintained identifying the time and place of these meetings, persons attending, subject matter discussed, and disposition of the subject matter.
- h. Disseminate the Contractor's EEO policy externally by including it in any advertising in the news media, specifically including minority and female news media, and providing written notification to and discussing the Contractor's EEO policy with other Contractors and Subcontractors with whom the Contractor does or anticipates doing business.
- i. Direct its recruitment efforts, both oral and written, to minority, female and community organizations, to schools with minority and female students and to minority and female recruitment and training organizations serving the Contractor's recruitment area and employment needs. Not later than one month prior to the date for the acceptance of

applications for apprenticeship or other training by any recruitment source, the Contractor shall send written notification to organizations such as the above, describing the openings, screening procedures, and tests to be used in the selection process.

- j. Encourage present minority and female employees to recruit other minority persons and women and, where reasonable, provide after school, summer and vacation employment to minority and female youth both on the site and in other areas of a Contractor's workforce.
 - k. Validate all tests and other selection requirements where there is an obligation to do so under 41 CFR Part 60-3.
 - l. Conduct, at least annually, an inventory and evaluation at least of all minority and female personnel for promotional opportunities and encourage these employees to seek or to prepare for, through appropriate training, etc., such opportunities.
 - m. Ensure that seniority practices, job classifications, work assignments and other personnel practices, do not have a discriminatory effect by continually monitoring all personnel and employment related activities to ensure that the EEO policy and the Contractor's obligations under these specifications are being carried out.
 - n. Ensure that all facilities and company activities are non-segregated except that separate or single-user toilet and necessary changing facilities shall be provided to assure privacy between the sexes.
 - o. Document and maintain a record of all solicitations of offers for subcontracts from minority and female construction contractors and suppliers, including circulation of solicitations to minority and female contractor associations and other business associations.
 - p. Conduct a review, at least annually, of all supervisors' adherence to and performance under the Contractor's EEO policies and affirmative action obligations.
8. Contractors are encouraged to participate in voluntary associations which assist in fulfilling one or more of their affirmative action obligations (7a through p). The efforts of a contractor association, joint contractor-union, contractor-community, or other similar group of which the contractor is a member and participant, may be asserted as fulfilling any one or more of its obligations under 7a through p of these Specifications provided that the contractor actively participates in the group, makes every effort to assure that the group has a positive impact on the employment of minorities and women in the industry, ensures that the concrete benefits of the program are reflected in the Contractor's minority and female workforce participation, makes a good faith effort to meet its individual goals and timetables, and can provide access to documentation which demonstrates the effectiveness of actions taken on behalf of the Contractor. The obligation to comply, however, is the Contractor's and failure of such a group to fulfill an obligation shall not be a defense for the Contractor's noncompliance.
9. A single goal for minorities and a separate single goal for women have been established. The Contractor, however, is required to provide equal employment opportunity and to take affirmative action for all minority groups, both male and female, and all women, both

minority and non-minority. Consequently, the Contractor may be in violation of the Executive Order if a particular group is employed in a substantially disparate manner (for example, even though the Contractor has achieved its goals for women generally, the Contractor may be in violation of the Executive Order if a specific minority group of women is underutilized).

10. Nondiscrimination programs require that Federal-aid recipients, subrecipients, and contractors prevent discrimination and ensure nondiscrimination in all of their programs and activities, whether those programs and activities are federally funded or not. The factors prohibited from serving as a basis for action or inaction which discriminates include race, color, national origin, sex, age, and handicap/disability. The efforts to prevent discrimination must address, but not be limited to a program's impacts, access, benefits, participation, treatment, services, contracting opportunities, training opportunities, investigations of complaints, allocations of funds, prioritization of projects, and the functions of right-of-way, research, planning, and design.
11. The Contractor shall not enter into any Subcontract with any person or firm debarred from Government contracts pursuant to Executive Order 11246.
12. The Contractor shall carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of these specifications and of the Equal Opportunity Clause, including suspension, termination and cancellation of existing subcontracts as may be imposed or ordered pursuant to Executive Order 11246, as amended, and its implementing regulations, by the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs. Any contractor who fails to carry out such sanctions and penalties shall be in violation of these specifications and Executive Order 11246, as amended.
13. The Contractor, in fulfilling its obligations under these specifications, shall implement specific affirmative action steps, at least as extensive as those standards prescribed in paragraph 7 of these specifications, so as to achieve maximum results from its efforts to ensure equal employment opportunity. If the Contractor fails to comply with the requirements of the Executive Order, the implementing regulations, or these specifications, the Director shall proceed in accordance with 41 CFR 60-4.8.
14. The Contractor shall designate a responsible official to monitor all employment related activity to ensure that the company EEO policy is being carried out, to submit reports relating to the provisions hereof as may be required by the Government and to keep records. Records shall at least include for each employee the name, address, telephone numbers, construction trade, union affiliation if any, employee identification number when assigned, social security number, race, sex, status (e.g., mechanic, apprentice, trainee, helper, or laborer), dates of changes in status, hours worked per week in the indicated trade, rate of pay, and locations at which the work was performed. Records shall be maintained in an easily understandable and retrievable form; however, to the degree that existing records satisfy this requirement, contractors shall not be required to maintain separate records.
15. Nothing herein provided shall be construed as a limitation upon the application of other laws which establish different standards of compliance or upon the application of requirements for the hiring of local or other area residents (e.g., those under the Public Works Employment Act of 1977 and the Community Development Block Grant Program).

- 16.** In addition to the reporting requirements set forth elsewhere in this contract, the Contractor and the subcontractors holding subcontracts, not including material suppliers, of \$10,000 or more, shall submit for every month of July during which work is per-formed, employment data as contained under Form PR 1391 (Appendix C to 23 CFR, Part 230), and in accordance with the instructions included thereon.

SPECIAL PROVISION

000--1001

On-the-Job Training Program

- 1. Description.** Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT's) program to meet the requirements of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1968 and 23 CFR (Code of Federal Regulations) Part 230, Subpart A. The objective is to develop skill improvement programs to provide opportunities for unskilled workers, particularly minorities, women, and disadvantaged persons, to acquire training in the skilled construction trades.
- 2. Trainee Assignment.** TxDOT's Office of Civil Rights will allocate training assignments to prequalified contractors based on the past contract volume of federal-aid work performed with TxDOT. TxDOT will notify each contractor who has met the volume of work threshold at the beginning of each reporting year and advise them of the number of trainees they are expected to support.
- 3. Program Requirements.** Contractors found to have reached the level(s), as identified in the TxDOT On-The-Job Training (OJT) program document, are required to fulfill all of the requirements of the OJT program at no additional cost to the department other than contractor requested reimbursement of \$0.80 per hour for a trainee.

The contractors are required to compensate the trainee at least 60% of the appropriate minimum journeyman's rate specified in the contract for the first half of the training period, 75% for the third quarter of the training period and 90% for the last quarter of the training period.

Contractors will promptly notify pertinent project engineers of the trainee's work location in sufficient time to allow for observation or interviews.

The program document is available through the TxDOT Office of Civil Rights Contract Compliance Section at 125 E. 11th Street, Austin, Texas 78701.

- 4. Non-Compliance.** A contractor's failure to comply with the requirements of this Special Provision shall constitute a material breach of this contract. In such a case, the department reserves the right to terminate the contract, assess liquidated damages, or such other remedy or remedies as the department deems appropriate.

SPECIAL PROVISION

000---009

Certification of Nondiscrimination in Employment

By signing this proposal, the bidder certifies that he has participated in a previous contract or subcontract subject to the equal opportunity clause, as required by Executive Orders 10925, 11114, or 11246, or if he has not participated in a previous contract of this type, or if he has had previous contract or subcontracts and has not filed, he will file with the Joint Reporting Committee, the Director of the Office of Federal Contract Compliance, a Federal Government contracting or administering agency, or the former President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity, all reports due under the applicable filing requirements.

Note: The above certification is required by the Equal Employment Opportunity Regulations of the Secretary of Labor (41 CFR 60-1.7(b)(1)), and must be submitted by bidders and proposed subcontractors only in connection with contracts and subcontracts which are subject to the equal opportunity clause. Contracts and subcontracts which are exempt from the equal opportunity clause are set forth in 41 CFR 60-1.5. (Generally only contracts or subcontracts of \$10,000 or under are exempt.)

Currently, Standard Form 100 (EEO-1) is the only report required by the Executive Orders or their implementing regulations.

Proposed prime contractors and subcontractors who have participated in a previous contract or subcontract subject to the Executive Orders and have not filed the required reports should note that 41 CFR 60-1.7(b)(1) prevents the award of contracts and subcontracts unless such contractor submits a report covering the delinquent period or such other period specified by the Federal Highway Administration or by the Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance, U. S. Department of Labor.

SPECIAL PROVISION**000---011****Department Division Mailing and Physical Addresses**

For this project, Item 000, “Department Division Mailing and Physical Addresses,” of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Use the information in Table 1 to contact the Department Divisions referenced in the Standard Specifications or Special Provisions and Special Specifications in the Contract. This listing is for the purposes of providing addresses for transmission of information in accordance with the specifications. Unless otherwise stated in the specifications, address all correspondence and transmission of information to the Engineer responsible for the oversight of construction. Submit bidding documents to the location shown in the official advertisement. Address changes will be posted on the Department’s Internet site at <http://www.dot.state.tx.us/>.

Table 1
Department Division Mailing and Physical Addresses

Division/Section Name	U.S. Post Office Address	Physical Address
Bridge Division	Texas Department of Transportation Bridge Division 125 E 11 th Street Austin TX 78701-2483	Bridge Division Fabrication Branch 118 E. Riverside Dr. Austin, Texas 78704 (512) 416-2187
Construction Division Construction Section	Texas Department of Transportation Construction Division Construction Section 200 E. Riverside Drive Austin TX 78704	Construction Division 200 E. Riverside Dr. 1 st floor, 1B.1 Austin, TX 78704 (512) 416-2490 1-800-687-3525
Materials & Pavements Section	Texas Department of Transportation Construction Division Materials & Pavements (CP51) 125 E 11 th Street Austin TX 78701-2483	Construction Division Materials & Pavements Cedar Park Campus, Bldg. 51 9500 Lake Creek Parkway Austin, TX 78717 512-506-5800

Division/Section Name	U.S. Post Office Address	Physical Address
Maintenance Division		
Maintenance Section	Texas Department of Transportation Maintenance Division Maintenance Section 125 E 11 th Street Austin, TX 78701	Maintenance Division Maintenance Section 150 East Riverside Drive Fourth Floor, North Tower Austin, TX 78704 (512) 416-3185
Vegetation Management Section	Texas Department of Transportation Maintenance Division Vegetation Management Section 125 E 11 th Street Austin, TX 78701	Maintenance Division Vegetation Management Section 150 East Riverside Drive Fourth Floor, North Tower Austin, TX 78704 (512) 416-3093
Traffic Operations Division		
Traffic Operations Division	Texas Department of Transportation Traffic Operations Division 125 E 11 th Street Austin TX 78701	Texas Department of Transportation Traffic Operations Division 200 E. Riverside Bldg. 118 Austin, Texas 78704 512-416-3200
Traffic Engineering	Texas Department of Transportation Traffic Operations Division Traffic Engineering Section 125 E 11 th Street Austin TX 78701	Texas Department of Transportation Traffic Operations Division Traffic Engineering Section 200 E. Riverside Bldg. 118 Austin, Texas 78704 (512) 416-3118
Traffic Management-ITS Branch	Texas Department of Transportation Traffic Operations Division Traffic Management Section 125 E 11 th Street Austin TX 78701	Texas Department of Transportation Traffic Operations Division Traffic Management Section Cedar Park Campus, Bldg. 51 9500 Lake Creek Parkway Austin, TX 78717 512-506-5100
Traffic Management- Signal/Radio Branch	Texas Department of Transportation Traffic Operations Division Traffic Management Section- Signal/Radio Branch 125 E 11 th Street Austin TX 78701	Texas Department of Transportation Traffic Operations Division Traffic Management Section- Signal/Radio Branch Cedar Park Campus, Bldg. 51 9500 Lake Creek Parkway Austin, TX 78717 512-506-5100

SPECIAL PROVISION

000--1555

Important Notice to Contractors

The Contractor's attention is directed to the fact that this project is expected to be funded from the America Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). For projects funded by the ARRA, Contractors must:

- report by the 10th day of the month, the number of project employees, hours worked, and payroll for the previous month (The reporting requirement also includes subcontractor employees.) and
- include this requirement in subcontracts with subcontractors.

The Engineer will approve the form and method used for this reporting. Noncompliance with this requirement will result in the Department taking actions including but not limited to withholding estimates and suspending the work. This reporting will not be paid for directly but will be considered subsidiary to Items of the Contract.

SPECIAL PROVISION

000--1580

Important Notice to Contractors

The Contractor's attention is directed to the fact that this project is expected to be funded from the America Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). Section 902 of the ARRA provides the U.S. Comptroller General and his representatives with the authority to:

- (1) to examine any records of the contractor or any of its subcontractors, or any State or local agency administering such contract, that directly pertain to, and involve transactions relating to, the contract or subcontract; and
- (2) to interview any officer or employee of the contractor or any of its subcontractors, or of any State or local government agency administering the contract, regarding such transactions.

Accordingly, the Comptroller General and his representatives shall have the authority and rights as provided under Section 902 of the ARRA with respect to this contract, which is funded with funds made available under the ARRA. Section 902 further states that nothing in this section shall be interpreted to limit or restrict in any way any existing authority of the Comptroller General.

Additionally, be advised that Section 1515(a) of the ARRA provides as follows:

Access.

For projects using ARRA funds, any representative of an appropriate inspector general appointed under section 3 or 8G of the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.), is authorized:

- (1) to examine any records of the contractor or grantee, any of its subcontractors or subgrantees, or any State or local agency administering such contract, that pertain to, and involve transactions relating to, the contract, subcontract, grant, or subgrant; and
- (2) to interview any officer or employee of the contractor, grantee, subgrantee, or agency regarding such transactions.

Section 1515(b) further provides that nothing in this section shall be interpreted to limit or restrict in any way any existing authority of an inspector general.

SPECIAL PROVISION

001---011

Definition of Terms

For this project, Item 001, “Definition of Terms,” of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Article 1.128. Subcontractor is voided and replaced by the following:

1.128. Subcontractor. A Subcontractor is defined as an individual, partnership, limited liability company, corporation, or any combination thereof that the Contractor sublets, or proposes to sublet, any portion of a Contract, excluding a material supplier, a hauling firm hauling only from a commercial source to the project, truck owner-operator, wholly owned subsidiary, or specialty-type businesses such as security companies and rental companies.

The following Articles are voided and not replaced.

1.97. Proposal.

1.98. Proposal Form.

1.99. Proposal Guaranty.

This Item is supplemented by the following:

1.150. Affiliates. Two or more firms are affiliated if:

- they share common officers, directors, or stockholders;
- a family member of an officer, director, or stockholder of one firm serves in a similar capacity in another of the firms;
- an individual who has an interest in, or controls a part of, one firm either directly or indirectly also has an interest in, or controls a part of, another of the firms;
- the firms are so closely connected or associated that one of the firms, either directly or indirectly, controls or has the power to control another firm;
- one firm controls or has the power to control another of the firms; or,
- the firms are closely allied through an established course of dealings, including but not limited to the lending of financial assistance.

1.151. Bid. The offer of the bidder for performing the work described in the plans and specifications including any changes made by addenda.

1.152. Bid Guaranty. The security furnished by the bidder as a guaranty that the bidder will enter into a contract if awarded.

1.153. Electronic Bid Form. The bid form contained in the Department's Electronic Bidding System.

1.154. Electronic Bidding System (EBS). The Department's automated system that allows bidders to enter and submit their bid information electronically.

1.155. Electronic Vault. The secure location where electronic bids are stored prior to bid opening.

1.156. Family Member. A family member of an individual is the individual's parent, parent's spouse, step-parent, step-parent's spouse, sibling, sibling's spouse, spouse, child, child's spouse, spouse's child, spouse's child's spouse, grandchild, grandparent, uncle, uncle's spouse, aunt, aunt's spouse, first cousin, or first cousin's spouse.

1.157. Printed Bid Form. The bidding form printed and sent to the bidder by the department or printed by the bidder from the department's Electronic Bidding System.

1.158. Bid Form. The form provided by the Department used by the bidder to submit a bid. The bid form is a Department mailed bidder's form (traditional proposal submitted manually), a Department EBS printed bid form (submitted manually), or the bid form submitted electronically through the Department's EBS.

SPECIAL PROVISION

002---017

Instructions to Bidders

For this project, Item 002, "Instruction to Bidders," of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Except for Article 2.1 the remainder of Item 2 is voided and replaced by the following:

2.2. Eligibility of Bidders. Submit for approval a Confidential Questionnaire Form and an audited financial statement or a Bidder's Questionnaire Form at least 10 days before the date that bids are to be opened. Once approved, the eligibility is valid for a period of one year. Bidders prequalified with a Bidder's Questionnaire Form are not eligible to bid on a project that requires the Confidential Questionnaire Form and audited financial statements. Comply with all technical prequalification requirements in the bid form. Obtain prequalification forms from the Construction Division.

2.3. Issuing Bid Forms. The Department will issue a bid form to a prequalified Bidder meeting the requirements of the bid form on request if the estimated cost of the proposed Contract is within that Bidder's available bidding capacity. Request bid forms orally, in writing, or electronically.

In the case of a joint venture, all joint venture participants must be prequalified. An equally divided portion of the Engineer's estimate must be within each participant's available bidding capacity.

The Department will not issue a bid form for a proposed Contract if one or more of the following apply:

- the Bidder is disqualified by an agency of the federal government.
- the Bidder is suspended or debarred by the Commission, or is prohibited from rebidding a specific proposal because of bid error or failure to enter into a Contract of the first awarded bid.
- the Bidder has not fulfilled the requirements for prequalification.
- the Bidder or a subsidiary or affiliate of the Bidder has received compensation from the Department to participate in the preparation of the plans or specifications on which the bid or Contract is based.
- the Bidder did not attend an advertised mandatory pre-bid conference.

2.4. Interpreting Estimated Quantities. The quantities listed in the bid form are approximate and will be used for the comparison of bids. Payments will be made for the work performed in accordance with the Contract.

2.5. Examining Documents and Work Locations. Examine the bid form, plans, specifications, and specified work locations before submitting a bid for the work contemplated. Submitting a bid will be considered evidence that the Bidder has performed this examination. Borings, soil profiles, water elevations, and underground utilities shown on the plans were obtained for use of the Department in the preparation of plans. This information is provided for the Bidder's information only and the Department makes no representation as to the accuracy of the data. Be aware of the difficulty of accurately classifying all material encountered in making foundation investigations, the possible erosion of stream channels and banks after survey data have been obtained, and the unreliability of water elevations other than for the date recorded.

Oral explanations, instructions, or consideration for contractor-proposed changes in the Items of work, specifications, plans or bid forms given during the bidding process are not binding. Only requirements included in the bid form, associated specifications, plans and Department-issued addenda are binding. Request explanations of documents in adequate time to allow the Department to reply before the bid opening date..

Immediately notify the Department of any error, omission, or ambiguity discovered in any part of the bid form, specifications or plans. The Department will issue an addendum when appropriate.

2.6. Preparing the Bid. Prepare the bid on the form furnished by the Department. Bid forms may be printed or electronic. Informational forms will not be accepted.

Specify a unit price in dollars and cents for each Item for which an estimated quantity is given. When "Working Days" is an Item, submit the number of working days to be used to complete the Contract, or phases of the Contract shown on the plans.

An Item left blank will constitute an incomplete bid and will be handled as prescribed in Article 2.14, "Tabulating Bids." Include unit bid prices for each Item in the Item group or alternate Item group, except for instances when alternate Items pertain to foreign steel or iron materials.

If a bid form contains both regular bid Items for domestic and alternate bid Items pertaining to foreign steel or iron materials the bidder must either:

- submit unit bid prices for domestic bid items only, or
- submit unit bid prices for both the alternate foreign bid items and domestic bid items.

Verify whether addenda have been issued on a proposed Contract. Acknowledge all addenda.

A. Printed Bid Forms. Make all entries and execute the bid form in ink. Acknowledge all addenda by checking the appropriate box on the addendum acknowledgement page. Provide the complete and correct name of the Bidder submitting the bid. A person authorized to bind the Bidder must sign the bid form. In the case of a joint venture, provide the complete and correct name of all Bidders submitting the bid. The bid form must be signed by person(s) authorized to bind the Bidder(s).

As an alternative to hand writing the unit prices in the bid form, submit a computer printout signed by the person authorized to bind the Bidder or for a joint venture the persons authorized to bind the Bidders. As a minimum, computer printouts must contain the information in the format shown on the “Example of Bid Prices Submitted by Computer Printout” form in the bid form.

As an additional alternative, the bidder may prepare the bid using EBS and print out the bid form. Execute the bid form. A person authorized to bind the Bidder must sign the bid form. In the case of a joint venture, provide the complete and correct name of all Bidders submitting the bid. The bid form must be signed by persons authorized to bind the Bidders.

B. Electronic Bid Forms. Use the electronic bid form in EBS. Acknowledge an addendum by initialing each addendum listed under the addenda tab in EBS. Digitally sign the bid form using a digital certificate issued by the department. In the case of a joint venture, the person signing the bid form must be authorized to bind all joint venture participants.

2.7. Nonresponsive Bids. A bid that has one or more of the deficiencies listed below is nonresponsive and will not be considered.

A. The person or, in the case of a manually submitted joint venture bid, persons did not sign the bid form.

B. The proposal guaranty did not comply with the requirements contained in Article 2.8, “Bid Guaranty.”

C. The bid was in a form other than the official bid form issued to the Bidder or Bidders.

D. The bid was not in the hands of the letting official at the time and location specified in the advertisement. For electronic bids, “in the hands of the letting official” means EBS vault acknowledgement.

E. The bid form submitted had the incorrect number of Items.

F. A computer printout, when used, was not signed in the name of the Bidder (or joint Bidders, in the case of a joint venture), or omitted required Items or included an Item or Items not shown in the bid form.

G. The Bidder was not authorized to receive a bid form under Article 2.3, “Issuing Bid Forms.”

H. The Bidder failed to acknowledge receipt of all addenda issued.

I. The Bidder bid more than the maximum or less than the minimum number of allowable working days shown on the plans when working days was an Item.

J. The Bidder modified the bid in a manner that altered the conditions or requirements for work as stated in the bid form.

K. The Bidder did not attend a specified mandatory pre-bid conference.

The department will not accept or read any of the bids submitted on the same project by:

- a joint venture and one or more of its partners, or

- affiliated bidders.

2.8. Bid Guaranty. The bid guaranty amount is fixed at the amount indicated on the bid form on the date the bid form is released to the public. Provide a bid guaranty in the amount indicated on the bid form as follows:

- For printed bids, use either a guaranty check or a bid bond. An electronic bid bond may be used as the guaranty for a bid form printed from EBS. (The bid bond number is printed on the form printed from EBS and the Department verifies the bond through EBS at the letting.)
- For electronic bids, use an electronic bid bond. Do not use guaranty checks or printed bid bonds on electronic bids.

A. Guaranty Check. The guaranty check must be payable to the Texas Transportation Commission and must be a cashier's check, money order, or teller's check drawn by or on a state or national bank, a savings and loan association, or a state or federally chartered credit union (collectively referred to as "bank"). The check must be dated on or before the date of the bid opening. Post dated checks will not be accepted. The type of check or money order must be indicated on the face of the instrument and the instrument must be no more than 90 days old. A check must be made payable at or through the institution issuing the instrument; be drawn by a bank and on a bank; or be payable at or through a bank. The Department will not accept personal checks, certified checks, or other types of money orders as a bid guaranty.

B. Bid Bond. The bid bond must be on the form provided by the Department, with powers of attorney attached, and in the amount specified on the bid bond form. The bond form must be dated on or before the date of the bid opening, bear the impressed seal of the Surety and be signed by the Bidder or Bidders, in the case of a joint venture, and an authorized individual of the Surety. As an alternative for joint venture Bidders, each of the Bidders may submit a separate bid bond, completed as outlined in this Subarticle. Bid bonds will only be accepted from Sureties authorized to execute a bond under and in accordance with state law.

C. Electronic Bid Bond. Use the most current version of the electronic bond issued by the department. For a joint venture, the bond must be in the name of all joint venture participants. Enter the bond authorization code into EBS. Use bond authorization codes issued by the companies listed in most recent version of EBS.

2.9. Submittal of Bid. Bids may be submitted either manually or electronically.

A. Manually Submitted Bids.

Place the completed bid form and the bid guaranty in a sealed envelope marked to indicate the contents.

When submitting by mail or delivery service, place the envelope in another sealed envelope and address as indicated in the official advertisement. It is the bidder's responsibility to ensure that the sealed bid arrives at the location described in the official advertisement of the project on or before the time and date set for the opening. The bid must be in the hands of the Letting Official by that time, regardless of the method chosen for delivery, in order to be accepted.

In addition to the requirements above, all pages of a bid form printed from EBS must be submitted.

B. Electronically Submitted Bids. Submit the electronic bid to the electronic vault using EBS. It is the bidder's responsibility to ensure that the bid is received by the electronic vault on or before the time and date set for the opening.

2.10. Revising Bid Forms. Revisions to bids will be handled as follows:

A. Manually Submitted Bids.

1. Before Submission. Make desired changes to the printed bid form in ink and initial the changes.

2. After Submission. Withdraw the bid in accordance with Article 2.11, "Withdrawing Bids." Make desired changes to the printed bid form in ink and initial the changes. Resubmit to the Letting Official in accordance with Article 2.9, "Delivery of Bid." The Department will not make revisions to a bid on behalf of a Bidder.

B. Electronically Submitted Bids. Make desired changes up until the time and date set for the opening of bids using EBS. The electronically submitted bid with the latest time stamp by the electronic vault will be used for tabulation purposes.

C. After Bid Opening. Revisions to bids are not allowed after the time and date set for the opening.

2.11. Withdrawing Bids.

A. Manually Submitted Bids. Submit a signed written request to the Letting Official. The Department will not accept telephone or electronic requests, but will accept a properly signed telefacsimile request. The request must be made by a person authorized to bind the Bidder, and must be in the hands of the Letting Official before the time and date set for the opening. In the case of joint venture, the department will accept a request from any person authorized to bind a party to the joint venture to withdrawal a bid.

B. Electronically Submitted Bids. Submit an electronic or written request to withdraw the bid. The electronic request must be made using EBS. For a written request, submit a signed request to the Letting Official. A request to withdraw an electronic bid must be made by a person authorized to bind the Bidder and must be made prior to the time and date set for the opening. For written request for withdrawals of electronic bids and in the case of joint venture, the department will accept a request from any person authorized to bind a party to the joint venture to withdrawal a bid.

2.12. Opening and Reading of Bids. At the time, date and location specified in the official advertisement, the Letting Official will publicly:

- open and read manually submitted bids; and
- read electronically submitted bids.

2.13. Gratuities. Do not offer Department employees benefits, gifts, or favors. The only exceptions allowed are ordinary business lunches. Failure to honor this policy may result in the termination of the Contract and sanctions under the Texas Administrative Code. Termination of the Contract will be in accordance with Article 8.7, "Termination of Contract."

2.14. Tabulating Bids.

A. Official Total Bid Amount. The Department will sum the products of the quantities and the unit prices bid in the bid form to determine the official total bid amount. Except as provided in Section 2.14.G, "Special Item Considerations," the official total bid amount is the basis for determining the apparent low Bidder. The total bid amounts will be compared and the results made public.

B. Consideration of Bid Format. When a Bidder submits both an electronic bid and a properly completed manual bid, the unit bid prices in the manual bid will be used to determine the total bid amount. If a bidder submits an electronic bid and an incomplete manual bid, the electronic bid will be used in the tabulation of the total bid amount.

If a bidder submits two or more manual bids, all responsive bids will be tabulated. The bid with the lowest tabulation will be used to determine the total bid amount.

C. Rounding of Unit Prices. The Department will round off all unit bids involving fractional parts of a cent to the nearest one-tenth cent (\$0.001) in determining the amount of the bid as well as computing the amount due for payment of each Item under the Contract. For rounding purposes, entries of five-hundredths of a cent (\$0.0005) or more will be rounded up to the next highest tenth of a cent, while entries less than five-hundredths of a cent will be rounded down to the next lowest tenth of a cent.

D. Interpretation of Unit Prices. The Department will make a documented determination of the unit bid price for tabulation purposes if a unit bid price is illegible. The Department's determination will be final.

E. Consideration of Unit Prices. Unit bid price entries such as no dollars and no cents, zero dollars and zero cents, or numerical entries of \$0.00, will be tabulated as one-tenth of a cent (\$0.001).

The Department will consider proposals where unit bid prices have been left blank incomplete and nonresponsive. If a proposal has a regular and a corresponding alternate Item or group of Items, the bid will be considered complete if:

- the regular Item or group of regular Items has unit prices entered, or
- the alternate Item or group of alternate Items has unit prices entered.

The bid will be considered incomplete and nonresponsive if:

- a regular Item or group of regular Items is left blank, and
- a corresponding alternate Item or group of alternate Items is left blank.

F. Consideration of Alternate Items. The Department will make two calculations using one-tenth of a cent (\$0.001) for each Item if:

- a regular Item or a group of Items have an entry such as no dollars and no cents, zero dollars and zero cents, or numerical entries of \$0.00, and
- a corresponding alternate Item or group of Items, have an entry such as no dollars and no cents, zero dollars and zero cents, or numerical entries of \$0.00.

The Department will select the regular Item or Items or the alternate Item or Items at the Department's discretion if both the regular and alternate bid results in the same cost to the State.

The Department will use the unit price that is greater than zero for bid tabulation if:

- a unit price greater than zero has been entered for either a regular bid or a corresponding alternate Item or group of Items, and
- an entry of no dollars and no cents, zero dollars and zero cents, or a numerical entry of \$0.00 has been entered for the other corresponding Item or group of Items.

If a unit price has been entered for both the regular Item and a corresponding alternate Item, the Department will select the option (regular or alternate) that results in the lowest cost to the State. The Department will select the regular Item or Items or the alternate Item or Items at the Department's discretion if both the regular and alternate bid results in the same cost to the State.

G. Special Item Considerations.

1. Rubber Additives. For proposed Contracts without federal funds, if an alternate Item for "Hot Asphalt-Rubber Surface Treatments" or "Hot Mix Asphalt Concrete Pavement" which contains ground tire rubber is shown in the bid form and the Bidder bids that alternate Item, the amounts bid for "Hot Asphalt-Rubber" and "Aggregate" or "Hot Mix Asphalt Concrete" will be reduced to 85% of the amounts actually bid. This reduction will only be used for the purposes of determining the lowest Bidder. To qualify, the ground tire rubber used must be produced from scrap tire ground in a facility in Texas. Payment for "Hot Asphalt-Rubber" and "Aggregate" or "Hot Mix Asphalt Concrete" will be at the actual unit prices bid.

2. "Buy America." For proposed Contracts where unit bid prices are submitted for both domestic and foreign steel or iron materials, the total bid amount will be calculated using both the domestic and foreign steel unit bid prices. If the total bid amount using the foreign steel or iron materials is the low bid, and the lowest bid using domestic steel or iron materials exceeds the low bid using foreign steel or iron materials by 25% or more, the apparent low Bidder will be the bid using foreign steel or iron materials. If the difference between the low bid using foreign steel or iron materials and the lowest bid using domestic steel or iron materials is less than 25%, the apparent low Bidder will be the bid using domestic steel or iron materials.

3. Home State Bidding Preference. For the purpose of determining the apparent low Bidder on proposed Contracts without federal funds, the total bid amount will be based upon the reverse application of the non-resident Bidder's home state bidding preference, if any.

2.15. Consideration of Bid Errors. The Department will consider a claim of a bid error by the apparent low Bidder if the following requirements have been met:

- Submit written notification to the Department within 5 business days after the date the bid is opened.
- Identify the Items of work involved and include bidding documentation. The Department may request clarification of submitted documentation.

The Department will evaluate the claim of an error by the apparent low Bidder by considering the following:

- The bid error relates to a material Item of work.
- The bid error amount is a significant portion of the total bid.
- The bid error occurred despite the exercise of ordinary care.
- The delay of the proposed work will not impact cost and safety to the public.

Acceptance of the bid error claim by the Department will result in the rejection of all bids. The erring Contractor will not be allowed to bid the project when it is relet. Rejection of bids due to the Contractor's bid error may result in the application of sanctions by the Department.

2.17. Electronic Bidding. Take responsibility for correctly installing the EBS software. Secure the digital certificate issued by the department at all times. Promptly report compromised digital certificates to the Department. Select an Internet Service Provider. The Department will not be responsible for Internet unavailability. The Department will not provide a computer for preparing, submitting, revising or withdrawing an electronic bid.

2.18. Bid Form Content. The electronic and the EBS printed bid form do not contain such things as the special provisions, special specifications, and general notes. These documents are included by reference. Manual bid forms (traditional proposals) will include such provisions.

SPECIAL PROVISION

004---012

Scope of Work

For this project, Item 4, "Scope of Work," of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Article 4.2. Changes in the Work. The first paragraph is supplemented by the following:

The Contractor is responsible for notifying the sureties of any changes to the contract.

Article 4.4. Requests and Claims for Additional Compensation, Section A., Delay Claims is voided and replaced by the following:

A. Damages. Damages occur when impacts that are the responsibility of the department result in additional costs to the contractor that could not have been reasonably anticipated at the time of letting. For contractor damages, the intent is to reimburse the Contractor for actual expenses arising out of a compensable impact. No profit or markups, other than labor burden, will be allowed. For damages, labor burden will be reimbursed at 35% unless the Contractor can justify higher actual cost. Justification for a higher percentage must be in accordance with the methodology provided by the Department, submitted separately for project overhead labor and direct labor, and determined and submitted by a Certified Public Accountant (CPA). Submit CPA-prepared labor burden rates directly to the Contract Letting and Contractor Prequalification Branch of the Construction Division.

1. Delay Damages

If the Contractor requests compensation for delay damages and the delay is determined to be compensable, then standby equipment costs and project overhead compensation will be based on the duration of the compensable delay and will be limited as follows:

a. Standby Equipment Costs.

- Standby costs will not be allowed during periods when the equipment would have otherwise been idle.
- No more than 8 hr. of standby will be paid during a 24-hr. day, nor more than 40 hr. per week, nor more than 176 hr. per month.
- Standby will be paid at 50% of the rental rates found in the Rental Rate Blue Book for Construction Equipment and calculated by dividing the monthly rate by 176 and multiplying by the regional adjustment factor and the rate adjustment factor. Operating costs will not be allowed.

b. Project Overhead. Project overhead will be determined from actual costs that the Contractor will be required to document. Project overhead is defined as the administrative and supervisory expenses incurred at the work locations.

- c. **Home Office Overhead.** The Department will not compensate the Contractor for home office overhead.

Article 4.4. Requests and Claims for Additional Compensation, Section B., Dispute or Claims Procedure is supplemented by the following:

The deadline for filing a claim in accordance with 43 TAC Section 9.2, is the earlier of 1 year after the date of final acceptance, date of default, or date of termination except that claims for warranty enforcement can be made up to 1 year after expiration of the warranty period.

SPECIAL PROVISION

005---004

Control of the Work

For this project, Item 005, “Control of the Work,” of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Article 5.2 Plans and Working Drawings, is supplemented with the following:

Submit shop drawings electronically for the fabrication of structural items as documented in the “Guide to Electronic Shop Drawing Submittal” available on the internet at http://www.dot.state.tx.us/publications/bridge/e_submit_guide.pdf and as directed by the Engineer for other items required by the standard specifications. References to 11 x 17 sheets in individual specifications for structural items imply electronic CAD sheets.

SPECIAL PROVISION

006---030

Control of Materials

For this project, Item, Item 006, “Control of Materials,” of the Standard Specifications is amended hereby with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Article 6.9. Recycled Materials is voided and replaced by the following:

The Department will not allow hazardous wastes, as defined in 30 TAC 335, proposed for recycling. Use nonhazardous recyclable materials (NRMs) only if the Specification for the Item does not disallow or restrict use. Determine if NRMs are regulated under 30 TAC 312, 330, 332, 334, or 335, and comply with all general prohibitions and requirements. Use NRMs in accordance with DMS-11000, “Evaluating and Using Nonhazardous Recyclable Materials Guidelines,” and furnish all documentation required by that Specification.

Article 6.10. Hazardous Materials is voided and replaced by the following:

Use materials that are free of hazardous materials as defined in Item 1, “Definition of Terms.”

Notify the Engineer immediately when a visual observation or odor indicates that materials in required material sources or on sites owned or controlled by the Department may contain hazardous materials. Except in the case of Section 6.10.A.1.a, “Cleaning and Painting Steel” below, the Department is responsible for testing and removing or disposing of hazardous materials not introduced by the Contractor on sites owned or controlled by the Department as indicated below. The plans will indicate locations where paint on steel is suspected to contain hazardous materials and where regulated asbestos containing materials have been found. The Engineer may suspend work wholly or in part during the testing, removal, or disposition of hazardous materials on sites owned or controlled by the Department, except in the case of Section 6.10.A.1.a.

When a visual observation or odor indicates that materials delivered to the work locations by the Contractor may contain hazardous materials, have an approved commercial laboratory test the materials for contamination. Remove, remediate, and dispose of any of these materials found to be contaminated. Testing, removal, and disposition of hazardous materials introduced onto the work locations by the Contractor will be at the Contractor’s expense. Working day charges will not be suspended and extensions of working days will not be granted for activities related to handling hazardous material delivered by the Contractor.

A. Painted Steel Requirements. As shown on the plans, existing paint on steel may contain hazardous materials. Perform work in accordance with the following:

1. Removing Paint from Steel.

- a. **Cleaning and Painting Steel.** For contracts that are primarily for painting existing steel, perform the work in accordance with Item 446, “Cleaning and Painting Steel.”
 - b. **Other Contracts.** For all other projects when an existing paint must be removed to perform other work, perform paint removal work in accordance with Item 446, “Cleaning and Painting Steel” unless the paint is shown or determined to contain hazardous materials. If the paint is shown or determined to contain hazardous materials, the Department will provide for a separate contractor to remove paint prior to or during the Contract to allow dismantling of the steel for the Contractor’s salvaging, reuse, or recycling or where paint must be removed to perform other work. For steel that is dismantled by unbolting, no paint stripping will be required. Use care to not damage existing paint. When dismantling is performed using flame or saw-cutting methods to remove steel elements coated with paint containing hazardous materials, the plans will show stripping locations. Coordinate with the separate contractor for stripping work to be performed during the Contract.
2. **Removal and Disposal of Painted Steel.** For Contracts where painted steel is to be removed and disposed of by the Contractor, painted steel may be reused or disposed of at a steel recycling or smelting facility. If the paint is shown or determined to contain hazardous materials, maintain and make available to the Engineer invoices and other records showing the reuse owner or for recycling, records obtained from the recycling or smelting facility showing the received weight of the steel and the facility name. Painted steel to be retained by the Department will be shown on the plans.
- B. **Asbestos Requirements.** The plans will indicate locations or elements where asbestos containing materials (ACM) have been found. At these locations or at locations where previously unknown ACM has been found, the Department will arrange for abatement by a separate contractor during the Contract. For work at these locations, notify the Engineer of proposed dates of demolition or removal of structural elements with ACM at least 60 days before work is to begin to allow the Department sufficient time to abate the asbestos.

When the work by a separate contractor for removal of paint or asbestos abatement is to be performed during the Contract, provide traffic control as shown on the plans and coordinate and cooperate with the separate contractor. Continue other work detailed in the plans not directly involved in the paint removal or asbestos abatement work. Coordinate with the Department the timing of the separate contractor’s work in advance in order to allow the Department to schedule work with the separate contractor. Work for the traffic control and other work will not be paid for directly but will be subsidiary to pertinent Items.

SPECIAL PROVISION

007---213

Legal Relations and Responsibilities

For this project, Item 7, “Legal Relations and Responsibilities” of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Article 7.19. Preservation of Cultural and Natural Resources and the Environment is supplemented by the following:

G. Asbestos Containing Material. In Texas, the Department of State Health Services (DSHS), Asbestos Programs Branch, is responsible for administering the requirements of the National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants, 40 CFR, Subpart M (NESHAP) and the Texas Asbestos Health Protection Rules (TAHPR). Based on EPA guidance and regulatory background information, bridges are considered to be a regulated “facility” under NESHAP. Therefore, federal standards for demolition and renovation apply.

Provide notice of demolition or renovation to the structures listed in the plans at least 30 calendar days prior to initiating demolition or renovation of each structure or load bearing member.

Provide the scheduled start and completion date of structure demolition, renovation, or removal.

When demolition, renovation, or removal of load bearing members is planned for several phases, provide the start and completion dates identified by separate phases.

DSHS requires that notifications be postmarked at least 10 working days prior to initiating demolition or renovation. If the date of actual demolition, renovation, or removal is changed, the Department will be required to notify DSHS at least 10 days in advance of the work. This notification is also required when a previously scheduled (notification sent to DSHS) demolition, renovation or removal is delayed. Therefore, if the date of actual demolition, renovation, or removal is changed, provide the Engineer, in writing, the revised dates in sufficient time to allow for the Department’s notification to DSHS to be postmarked at least 10 days in advance of the actual work.

Failure to provide the above information may require the temporary suspension of work under Article 8.4, “Temporary Suspension of Work or Working Day Charges,” due to reasons under the control of the Contractor. The Department retains the right to determine the actual advance notice needed for the change in date to address post office business days and staff availability.

SPECIAL PROVISION

007---445

Legal Relations and Responsibilities

For this project, Item 7, “Legal Relations and Responsibilities” of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Article 7.8. Hauling and Loads on Roadways and Structures is supplemented by the following:

D. Stockpiling of Materials. Do not store or stockpile material on bridge structures without written permission. If required, submit a structural analysis and supporting documentation by a licensed professional engineer for review by the Engineer. Permission may be granted if the Engineer finds that no damage or overstresses in excess of those normally allowed for occasional overweight loads will result to structures that will remain in use after Contract completion. Provide temporary matting or other protective measures as directed.

Article 7.14. Contractor’s Responsibility for Work, Section B. Appurtenances is voided and replaced by the following:

B. Appurtenances.

- 1. Unreimbursed Repair.** Except for destruction (not reusable) due to hurricanes, reimbursement will not be made for repair of damage to the following temporary appurtenances, regardless of cause:

- signs,
- barricades,
- changeable message signs, and
- other work zone traffic control devices.

Crash cushion attenuators and guardrail end treatments are the exception to the above listing and are to be reimbursed in accordance with Section 7.14.B.2, “Reimbursed Repair.”

For the devices listed in this section, reimbursement may be made for damage due to hurricanes. Where the contractor retains replaced appurtenances after completion of the project, the Department will limit the reimbursement to the cost that is above the salvage value at the end of the project.

- 2. Reimbursed Repair.** Reimbursement will be made for repair of damage due to the causes listed in Section 7.14.A, “Reimbursable Repair,” to appurtenances (including temporary and permanent crash cushion attenuators and guardrail end treatments).

Article 7.15. Electrical Requirements, Section A. Definitions, Section 3. Certified Person is voided and replaced by the following:

3. Certified Person. A certified person is a person who has passed the test from the TxDOT course TRF450, “TxDOT Roadway Illumination and Electrical Installations” or other courses as approved by the Traffic Operations Division. Submit a current and valid TRF certification upon request. All TEEEX certifications that have been issued for “TxDOT Electrical Systems” course will be accepted until January 1, 2010. On January 1, 2010, all TEEEX certifications for “TxDOT Electrical Systems” course will expire.

Article 7.15. Electrical Requirements, Section A. Definitions, Section 4. Licensed Electrician is voided and replaced by the following:

4. Licensed Electrician. A licensed electrician is a person with a current and valid unrestricted master electrical license, or unrestricted journeyman electrical license that is supervised or directed by an unrestricted master electrician. An unrestricted master electrician need not be on the work locations at all times electrical work is being done, but the unrestricted master electrician must approve work performed by the unrestricted journeyman. Licensed electrician requirements by city ordinances do not apply to on state system work.

The unrestricted journeyman and unrestricted master electrical licenses must be issued by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation or by a city in Texas with a population of 50,000 or greater that issues licenses based on passing a written test and demonstrating experience.

The Engineer may accept other states’ electrical licenses. Submit documentation of the requirements for obtaining that license. Acceptance of the license will be based on sufficient evidence that the license was issued based on:

- passing the NEC Block Test or the NEC Southern Building Code Test and
- demonstrating sufficient electrical experience commensurate with general standards for an unrestricted master and unrestricted journeyman electrician.

SPECIAL PROVISION**008---013****Prosecution and Progress**

For this project, Item 008, "Prosecution and Progress," of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

This Item is supplemented by the following:

8.13 Lane Closure Assessment Fees. Monetary assessment, as shown on the plans, will be made against the Contractor for any lane closure or obstruction that overlaps into the peak hour traffic for each hour or portion thereof, per lane, regardless of the length of lane closure or obstruction.

A. Definition of Terms. For this contract the following definitions apply:

- 1. Hour.** Any continuous 60-minute period or portion of a continuous 60-minute period beginning at that point when a lane(s) is closed or obstructed by the Contractor's operations.
- 2. Assessment Fee.** The amount shown in the proposal, representing the average hourly cost of interference and inconvenience to the road user for each lane closed or obstructed during peak hour traffic.
- 3. Closure or Obstruction.** When the Contractor's operations result in a useable lane width of the travelway or shoulder less than that specified in the plan documents.
- 4. Peak Hour Traffic Times.** Schedule of days and times described in the General Notes, when lane closures or obstructions are not allowed.

B. Fee Calculation and Collection. The assessment fee will be deducted from the amount due the Contractor on the monthly construction estimate, and thus retained by the Department. The Engineer will determine the time of overlap of lane closure(s) or obstruction(s) for calculating the assessment fee. The assessment fee is based on road user costs and is assessed not as a penalty, but for added expense incurred by the traveling public.

SPECIAL PROVISION

008---084

Prosecution and Progress

For this project, Item 008, "Prosecution and Progress," of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Article 8.8. Subcontracting, is supplemented with the following:

If the DBE goal amount for this project is greater than zero, submit a copy of the executed subcontract agreement with the request for subcontractor approval for all DBE subcontracts, including all tiered DBE subcontracts.

SPECIAL PROVISION

009---009

Measurement and Payment

For this project, Item 009, “Measurement and Payment,” of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Article 9.6. Progress Payments, Section A, Retainage is voided and replaced by the following:

A. Retainage. Retainage will not be withheld on this project.

Article 9.6. Progress Payments, Section B, Payment Provisions for Subcontractors is voided and replaced by the following:

B. Payment Provisions for Subcontractors. For the purposes of this Article only, the term subcontractor includes suppliers and the term work includes materials provided by suppliers at a location approved by the department. Pay the subcontractors for work performed within 10 days after receiving payment for the work performed by the subcontractor. Also, pay any retainage on a subcontractor’s work within 10 days after satisfactory completion of all of the subcontractor’s work. Completed subcontractor work includes vegetative establishment, test, maintenance, performance, and other similar periods that are the responsibility of the subcontractor.

For the purpose of this Section, satisfactory completion is accomplished when:

- the subcontractor has fulfilled the Contract requirements of both the Department and the subcontract for the subcontracted work, including the submittal of all information required by the specifications and the Department; and
- the work done by the subcontractor has been inspected, approved, and paid by the Department.

The inspection and approval of a subcontractor’s work does not eliminate the Contractor’s responsibilities for all the work as defined in Article 7.14, “Contractor’s Responsibility for Work.”

The Department may pursue actions against the Contractor, including withholding of estimates and suspending the work, for noncompliance with the subcontract requirements of this Section upon receipt of written notice with sufficient details showing the subcontractor has complied with contractual obligations as described in this Article.

These requirements apply to all tiers of subcontractors. Incorporate the provisions of this Article into all subcontract or material purchase agreements.

SPECIAL PROVISION

009---015

Measurement and Payment

For this project, Item 9, "Measurement and Payment," of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Article 9.5. Force Account, B. Insurance and Taxes is replaced by the following:

B. Labor Burden. An additional 55% of the labor cost, excluding the 25% compensation provided in Section 9.5.A, "Labor," will be paid as compensation for labor insurance and labor taxes including the cost of premiums on non-project specific liability (excluding vehicular) insurance, workers compensation insurance, Social Security, unemployment insurance taxes, and fringe benefits.

SPECIAL PROVISION

247---020

Flexible Base

For this project, Item 247, “Flexible Base,” of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Article 247.2. Materials, Section A. Aggregate, Section 3. Recycled Material, Section b. Recycled Material (Including Crushed Concrete) Requirements, Section (1), Contractor Furnished Recycled Materials is supplemented by the following:

Provide recycled materials that have a maximum sulfate content of 3000 ppm when tested in accordance with Tex-145-E.

SPECIAL PROVISION

260---001

Lime Treatment (Road-Mixed)

For this project, Item 260, "Lime Treatment (Road-Mixed)," of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Article 260.2. Materials, Section A. Lime. The first two sentences are voided and replaced by the following:

Furnish lime that meets the requirements of DMS-6350 "Lime and Lime Slurry," and DMS-6330, "Prequalification of Lime Sources." Use hydrated lime, commercial lime slurry, quicklime, or carbide lime slurry as shown on the plans.

Article 260.3. Equipment, Section B. Slurry Equipment. The last sentence of the second paragraph is voided and replaced by the following:

Equip the distributor truck with a sampling device in accordance with Tex-600-J, Part I, when using commercial lime slurry or carbide lime slurry.

Article 260.4. Construction, Section C. Application of Lime, Section 2. Slurry Placement. The last sentence of the first paragraph is voided and replaced by the following:

Deliver commercial lime slurry or carbide lime slurry to the jobsite, or use hydrated lime or quicklime to prepare lime slurry at the jobsite or other approved location, as specified.

Article 260.5. Measurement, Section A. Lime is supplemented by the following:

4. Carbide Lime Slurry. Lime slurry will be measured by the ton (dry weight) as calculated from the minimum percent dry solids content of the slurry, multiplied by the weight of the slurry in tons delivered.

Article 260.6. Payment, Section A. Lime. The first sentence is voided and replaced by the following:

Lime will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Lime" of one of the following types:

- Hydrated Lime (Dry),
- Hydrated Lime (Slurry),
- Commercial Lime Slurry,
- Quicklime (Dry),
- Quicklime (Slurry), or
- Carbide Lime Slurry.

SPECIAL PROVISION

340---002

Dense-Graded Hot-Mix Asphalt (Method)

For this project, Item 340, “Dense-Graded Hot-Mix Asphalt (Method),” of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Article 340.2. Materials, Section A. Aggregate, Section 2. RAP is voided and replaced by the following:

2. RAP. RAP is salvaged, milled, pulverized, broken, or crushed asphalt pavement. Crush or break RAP so that 100% of the particles pass the 2-in. sieve.

Use of Contractor-owned RAP including HMA plant waste is permitted, unless otherwise noted in the plans. Department-owned RAP stockpiles are available for the Contractor’s use when the stockpile locations are shown on the plans. Department-owned RAP generated through required work on the Contract is available for the Contractor’s use when shown on the plans. Perform any necessary tests to ensure Contractor or Department-owned RAP is appropriate for use. Unless otherwise shown on the plans, the Department will not perform any tests or assume any liability for the quality of the Department-owned RAP.

Fractionated RAP is defined as having 2 or more RAP stockpiles whereas the RAP is divided into coarse and fine fractions. The coarse RAP stockpile will contain only material retained by processing over a 3/8 in. screen or 1/2 in. screen unless otherwise approved. The fine RAP stockpile will contain only material passing the 3/8 in. screen or 1/2 in. screen unless otherwise approved. The Engineer may allow the Contractor to use an alternate to the 3/8 in. screen or 1/2 in. screen to fractionate the RAP. The maximum percentages of fractionated RAP may be comprised of coarse or fine fractionated RAP or the combination of both coarse and fine fractionated RAP. Utilize a separate cold feed bin for each stockpile of fractionated RAP used.

Determine asphalt content and gradation of RAP stockpiles for mixture design purposes. Perform other tests on RAP when shown on the plans. Unless otherwise shown on the plans, use no more than 10% unfractionated RAP in surface mixtures and no more than 20% unfractionated RAP in non-surface mixtures that are placed within 8 in. of the final riding surface. Use no more than 30% unfractionated RAP in non-surface mixtures that are placed 8 in. or more from the final riding surface. Unless otherwise shown on the plans, use no more than 20% fractionated RAP in surface mixtures and no more than 30% fractionated RAP in non-surface mixtures that are placed within 8 in. of the final riding surface. Use no more than 40% fractionated RAP in non-surface mixtures that are placed 8 in. or more from the final riding surface. “Surface” mixtures are defined as mixtures that will be the final lift or riding surface of the pavement structure. “Non-Surface” mixtures are defined as mixtures that will be an intermediate or base layer in the pavement structure. Do not use Department or Contractor owned RAP contaminated with dirt or other objectionable materials. Do not use Department or Contractor owned RAP if

the decantation value exceeds 5% and the plasticity index is greater than 8. Test the stockpiled RAP for decantation in accordance with the laboratory method given in Tex-406-A, Part I. Determine the plasticity index using Tex-106-E if the decantation value exceeds 5%. The decantation and plasticity index requirements do not apply to RAP samples with asphalt removed by extraction.

Do not intermingle Contractor-owned RAP stockpiles with Department-owned RAP stockpiles. Remove unused Contractor-owned RAP material from the project site upon completion of the project. Return unused Department-owned RAP to the designated stockpile location.

SPECIAL PROVISION

341---020

Dense-Graded Hot-Mix Asphalt (QC/QA)

For this project, Item 341, “Dense-Graded Hot-Mix Asphalt (QC/QA),” of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Article 341.2. Materials, Section A. Aggregate is voided and replaced by the following:

A. Aggregate. Furnish aggregates from sources that conform to the requirements shown in Table 1, and as specified in this Section, unless otherwise shown on the plans. Provide aggregate stockpiles that meet the definition in this Section for either a coarse aggregate or fine aggregate. Aggregate from RAP is not required to meet Table 1 requirements unless otherwise shown on the plans. Supply mechanically crushed gravel or stone aggregates that meet the definitions in Tex-100-E. The Engineer will designate the plant or the quarry as the sampling location. Samples must be from materials produced for the project. The Engineer will establish the surface aggregate classification (SAC) and perform Los Angeles abrasion, magnesium sulfate soundness, and Micro-Deval tests. Perform all other aggregate quality tests listed in Table 1. Document all test results on the mixture design report. The Engineer may perform tests on independent or split samples to verify Contractor test results. Stockpile aggregates for each source and type separately. Determine aggregate gradations for mixture design and production testing based on the washed sieve analysis given in Tex-200-F, Part II. Do not add material to an approved stockpile from sources that do not meet the aggregate quality requirements of the Department’s *Bituminous Rated Source Quality Catalog* (BRSQC) unless otherwise approved.

Article 341.2. Materials, Section A. Aggregate, Section 1. Coarse Aggregate. The second paragraph is voided and replaced by the following:

Provide coarse aggregate with at least the minimum SAC as shown on the plans. SAC requirements apply only to aggregates used on the surface of travel lanes. When shown on the plans, SAC requirements apply to aggregates used on surfaces other than travel lanes. The SAC for sources on the Department’s Aggregate Quality Monitoring Program (AQMP) is listed in the BRSQC.

Article 341.2. Materials, Section A. Aggregate, Section 2. RAP is voided and replaced by the following:

2. RAP. RAP is salvaged, milled, pulverized, broken, or crushed asphalt pavement. Crush or break RAP so that 100% of the particles pass the 2-in. sieve.

Use of Contractor-owned RAP including HMA plant waste is permitted, unless otherwise noted in the plans. Department-owned RAP stockpiles are available for the Contractor’s use when the stockpile locations are shown on the plans. Department-owned RAP generated through required

work on the Contract is available for the Contractor's use when shown on the plans. Perform any necessary tests to ensure Contractor or Department-owned RAP is appropriate for use. Unless otherwise shown on the plans, the Department will not perform any tests or assume any liability for the quality of the Department-owned RAP. When shown on the plans, the contractor will retain ownership of RAP generated on the project.

Fractionated RAP is defined as having two or more RAP stockpiles, whereas the RAP is divided into coarse and fine fractions. The coarse RAP stockpile will contain only material retained by processing over a 3/8 in. screen or 1/2 in. screen, unless otherwise approved. The fine RAP stockpile will contain only material passing the 3/8 in. screen or 1/2 in. screen, unless otherwise approved. The Engineer may allow the Contractor to use an alternate to the 3/8 in. screen or 1/2 in. screen to fractionate the RAP. The maximum percentages of fractionated RAP may be comprised of coarse or fine fractionated RAP or the combination of both coarse and fine fractionated RAP. Utilize a separate cold feed bin for each stockpile of fractionated RAP used.

Determine asphalt content and gradation of RAP stockpiles for mixture design purposes. Perform other tests on RAP when shown on the plans. Use no more than 10% unfractionated RAP in surface mixtures and no more than 20% unfractionated RAP in non-surface mixtures that are placed within 8 in. of the final riding surface. Use no more than 30% unfractionated RAP in non-surface mixtures that are placed 8 in. or more from the final riding surface. Use no more than 20% fractionated RAP in surface mixtures and no more than 30% fractionated RAP in non-surface mixtures that are placed within 8 in. of the final riding surface. Use no more than 40% fractionated RAP in non-surface mixtures that are placed 8 in. or more from the final riding surface. "Surface" mixtures are defined as mixtures that will be the final lift or riding surface of the pavement structure. "Non-Surface" mixtures are defined as mixtures that will be an intermediate or base layer in the pavement structure. The allowable percentages shown above may be decreased or increased when shown on the plans. Do not use Department or Contractor owned RAP contaminated with dirt or other objectionable materials. Do not use Department or Contractor owned RAP if the decantation value exceeds 5% and the plasticity index is greater than 8. Test the stockpiled RAP for decantation in accordance with Tex-406-A, Part I. Determine the plasticity index in accordance with Tex-106-E if the decantation value exceeds 5%. The decantation and plasticity index requirements do not apply to RAP samples with asphalt removed by extraction.

Do not intermingle Contractor-owned RAP stockpiles with Department-owned RAP stockpiles. Remove unused Contractor-owned RAP material from the project site upon completion of the project. Return unused Department-owned RAP to the designated stockpile location.

Article 341.2. Materials, Section F. Additives is supplemented by the following:

Warm Mix Asphalt (WMA) is defined as additives or processes that allow a reduction in the temperature at which asphalt mixtures are produced and placed. WMA is allowed for use at the Contractor's option unless otherwise shown on the plans. The use of WMA is required when shown on plans. When WMA is required by the plans, produce an asphalt mixture within the temperature range of 215°F and 275°F. When WMA is not required as shown on plans, produce an asphalt mixture within the temperature range of 215°F and 350°F. Unless otherwise directed, use only WMA additives or processes listed on the Department's approved list maintained by the Construction Division.

Article 341.4. Construction, Section D. Mixture Design. The first paragraph and Table 7 are voided and replaced by the following:

The Contractor may elect to design the mixture using a Texas Gyratory Compactor (TGC) or a Superpave Gyratory Compactor (SGC), unless otherwise shown on the plans. Use the typical weight design example given in Tex-204-F, Part I when using a TGC or the Superpave mixture design procedure given in Tex-204-F, Part IV when using a SGC. Design the mixture to meet the requirements listed in Tables 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, and 8. When using the TGC, design the mixture at a 96.0% target laboratory-molded density or as noted in Table 7. When using the SGC, design the mixture at 75 gyrations (Ndesign). Use only a target laboratory-molded density of 96.0% when using the SGC to design the mixture; however, adjustments can be made to the Ndes value as noted in Table 7.

Use an approved laboratory to perform the Hamburg Wheel test and provide results with the mixture design or provide the laboratory mixture and request that the Department perform the Hamburg Wheel test. The Construction Division maintains a list of approved laboratories. The Engineer will be allowed 10 working days to provide the Contractor with Hamburg Wheel test results on the laboratory mixture design.

Table 7
Laboratory Mixture Design Properties

Mixture Property	Test Method	Requirement
Target laboratory-molded density, %	Tex-207-F	96.0 ¹
Design gyrations (Ndesign)	Tex-241-F	75 gyrations ²
Tensile strength (dry), psi	Tex-226-F	85-200 ³
Boil test ⁴	Tex-530-C	-

1. May be adjusted within a range of 96.0–97.5% when shown on the plans or allowed by the Engineer when using the TGC (Tex-204-F, Part I).

2. May be adjusted within a range of 50–100 gyrations when shown on the plans or allowed by the Engineer when using the SGC (Tex-204-F, Part IV).

3. May exceed 200 psi when approved and may be waived when approved.

4. Used to establish baseline for comparison to production results. May be waived when approved.

Article 341.4. Construction, Section D. Mixture Design, Section 2. Job-Mix Formula Approval. The first paragraph is voided and replaced by the following:

2. Job-Mix Formula Approval. The job-mix formula (JMF) is the combined aggregate gradation and target asphalt percentage used to establish target values for hot mix production. JMF1 is the original laboratory mixture design used to produce the trial batch. When WMA is used, JMF1 may be designed and submitted to the Engineer without including the WMA additive. When WMA is used, document the additive or process used and recommend rate on the JMF1 submittal. The Engineer and the Contractor will verify JMF1 based on plant-produced mixture from the trial batch, unless otherwise approved. The Engineer may accept an existing mixture design previously used on a Department project and may waive the trial batch to verify JMF1.

Article 341.4. Construction, Section D. Mixture Design, Section 2. Job-Mix Formula Approval, Section a. Contractor's Responsibilities, Section (1) Providing Texas Gyrotory Compactor is voided and replaced by the following:

(1) Providing Gyrotory Compactor. Use a Texas Gyrotory Compactor (TGC) calibrated in accordance with Tex-914-K when electing or required to design the mixture in accordance with Tex-204-F, Part I, for molding production samples. Furnish a Superpave gyrotory compactor (SGC) calibrated in accordance with Tex-241-F when electing or required to design the mixture in accordance with Tex-204-F, Part IV, for molding production samples. If the SGC is used, locate the SGC at the Engineer's field laboratory and make the SGC available to the Engineer for use in molding production samples.

Article 341.4. Construction, Section D. Mixture Design, Section 2. Job-Mix Formula Approval, Section a. Contractor's Responsibilities, Section (2) Gyrotory Compactor Correlation Factors is voided and replaced by the following:

(2) Gyrotory Compactor Correlation Factors. Use Tex-206-F, Part II, to perform a gyrotory compactor correlation when the Engineer uses a different gyrotory compactor. Apply the correlation factor to all subsequent production test results.

Article 341.4. Construction, Section D. Mixture Design, Section 2. Job-Mix Formula Approval, Section a. Contractor's Responsibilities, Section (6) Ignition Oven Correction Factors is voided and replaced by the following:

(6) Ignition Oven Correction Factors. Determine the aggregate and asphalt correction factors from the ignition oven in accordance with Tex-236-F. Provide the Engineer with split samples of the mixtures, including all additives (except water) and blank samples used to determine the correction factors. Correction factors established from a previously approved mixture design may be used for the current mixture design, provided that the mixture design and ignition oven are the same as previously used, unless otherwise directed.

Article 341.4. Construction, Section D. Mixture Design, Section 2. Job-Mix Formula Approval, Section a. Contractor's Responsibilities, Section (8) Trial Batch Approval is voided and replaced by the following:

(8) Trial Batch Approval. Upon receiving conditional approval of JMF1 from the Engineer, provide a plant-produced trial batch including the WMA additive or process, if applicable for verification testing of JMF1 and development of JMF2.

Article 341.4. Construction, Section D. Mixture Design, Section 2. Job-Mix Formula Approval, Section a. Contractor's Responsibilities, Table 9 is voided and replaced by the following:

Table 9
Operational Tolerances

Description	Test Method	Allowable Difference from Current JMF Target	Allowable Difference between Contractor and Engineer¹
Individual % retained for #8 sieve and larger	Tex-200-F or Tex-236-F	±5.0 ²	±5.0
Individual % retained for sieves smaller than #8 and larger than #200		±3.0 ²	±3.0
% passing the #200 sieve		±2.0 ²	±1.6
Asphalt content, %	Tex-236-F	±0.3 ³	±0.3
Laboratory-molded density, %	Tex-207-F	±1.0	±1.0
In-place air voids, %		N/A	±1.0
Laboratory-molded bulk specific gravity		N/A	±0.020
VMA, %, min		Note 4	N/A
Theoretical maximum specific (Rice) gravity	Tex-227-F	N/A	±0.020

1. Contractor may request referee testing only when values exceed these tolerances.

2. When within these tolerances, mixture production gradations may fall outside the master grading limits; however, the % passing the #200 will be considered out of tolerance when outside the master grading limits.

3. Tolerance between trial batch test results and JMF1 is not allowed to exceed 0.5%, unless otherwise directed. Tolerance between JMF1 and JMF2 is allowed to exceed ± 0.3%.

4. Test and verify that Table 6 requirements are met.

Article 341.4. Construction, Section D. Mixture Design, Section 2, Job-Mix Formula Approval, Section b. Engineer's Responsibilities, Section (1) Gyratory Compactor is voided and replaced by the following:

(1) Gyratory Compactor. For mixtures designed in accordance with Tex-204-F, Part I, the Engineer will use a Department TGC, calibrated in accordance with Tex-914-K, to mold samples for trial batch and production testing. The Engineer will make the Department TGC and the Department field laboratory available to the Contractor for molding verification samples, if requested by the Contractor.

For mixtures designed in accordance with Tex-204-F, Part IV, the Engineer will use a Department SGC, calibrated in accordance with Tex-241-F, to mold samples for laboratory mixture design verification. For molding trial batch and production specimens, the Engineer will use the Contractor-provided SGC at the field laboratory or provide and use a Department SGC at an alternate location. The Engineer will make the Contractor-provided SGC in the Department field laboratory available to the Contractor for molding verification samples.

Article 341.4. Construction, Section E. Production Operations, Section 2. Mixing and Discharge of Materials is supplemented with the following:

When WMA is specified on the plans, produce the mixture and monitor the temperature of the material in the truck before shipping to ensure that it does not exceed 275°F or is less than 215°F. When WMA is specified, the Department will not pay for or allow placement of any WMA produced at more than 275°F or less than 215°F, unless otherwise directed.

Article 341.4. Construction, Section G. Placement Operations is voided and replaced by the following:

G. Placement Operations. Collect haul tickets from each load of mixture delivered to the project and provide the Department's copy to the Engineer approximately every hour, or as directed by the Engineer. Measure and record the temperature of the mixture as discharged from the truck or material transfer device prior to entering the paver and an approximate station number on each ticket. Unless otherwise directed, calculate the daily and cumulative yield for the specified lift and provide to the Engineer at the end of paving operations for each day. The Engineer may suspend production if the Contractor fails to produce haul tickets and yield calculations by the end of paving operations for each day.

Prepare the surface by removing raised pavement markers and objectionable material such as moisture, dirt, sand, leaves, and other loose impediments from the surface before placing mixture. Remove vegetation from pavement edges. Place the mixture to meet the typical section requirements and produce a smooth, finished surface with a uniform appearance and texture. Offset longitudinal joints of successive courses of hot mix by at least 6 in. Place mixture so longitudinal joints on the surface course coincide with lane lines, or as directed. Ensure that all finished surfaces will drain properly. Place mixture within the compacted lift thickness shown in Table 10, unless otherwise shown on the plans or allowed.

Article 341.4. Construction, Section G. Placement Operations, Section 1. Weather Conditions is voided and replaced with the following:

1. Weather Conditions. Place mixture when the roadway surface temperature is equal to or higher than the temperatures listed in Table 10A, unless otherwise approved or as shown on the plans. Measure the roadway surface temperature with a handheld infrared thermometer. The Engineer may allow mixture placement to begin prior to the roadway surface reaching the required temperature requirements if conditions are such that the roadway surface will reach the required temperature within 2 hrs. of beginning placement operations. Unless otherwise shown on the plans, place mixtures only when weather conditions and moisture conditions of the roadway surface are suitable in the opinion of the Engineer.

Article 341.4. Construction, Section G. Placement Operations, Section 1. Weather Conditions is supplemented by the following:

**Table 10A
Minimum Pavement Surface Temperatures**

Minimum Pavement Surface Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit		
High Temperature Binder Grade	Subsurface Layers or Night Paving Operations	Surface Layers Placed in Daylight Operations
PG 64 or lower	45	50
PG 70	55 ¹	60 ¹
PG 76 or higher	60 ¹	60 ¹

1. Contractors may pave at temperatures 10°F lower than the values shown in Table 10A when utilizing a paving process including WMA or equipment that eliminates thermal segregation. In such cases, the contractor must use either an infrared bar attached to the paver, a hand held thermal camera, or a hand held infrared thermometer operated in accordance with Tex-244-F to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Engineer that the uncompacted mat has no more than 10°F of thermal segregation.

Article 341.4. Construction, Section G. Placement Operations, Section 3. Lay-Down Operations. The first paragraph is voided and not replaced.

Article 341.4. Construction, Section G. Placement Operations, Section 3. Lay-Down Operations. Table 11 is voided and not replaced.

Article 341.4. Construction, Section I. Acceptance Plan, Section 1. Referee Testing. The second paragraph is voided and replaced with the following:

The Construction Division will determine the laboratory-molded density based on the molded specific gravity and the maximum theoretical specific gravity of the referee sample. The in-place air voids will be determined based on the bulk specific gravity of the cores, as determined by the referee laboratory, and the Engineer's average maximum theoretical specific gravity for the lot. With the exception of "remove and replace" conditions, referee test results are final and will establish pay adjustment factors for the subplot in question. The Contractor may decline referee testing and accept the Engineer's test results when the placement pay adjustment factor for any subplot results in a "remove and replace" condition. Sublots subject to be removed and replaced will be further evaluated in accordance with Article 341.6, "Payment."

Article 341.4. Construction, Section I. Acceptance Plan, Section 2. Production Acceptance, Section c. Production Testing. The first paragraph is voided and replaced with the following:

The Contractor and Engineer must perform production tests in accordance with Table 12. The Contractor has the option to verify the Engineer's test results on split samples provided by the Engineer. The Engineer may use asphalt content results from quality control testing performed by the Contractor to determine VMA. Determine compliance with operational tolerances listed in Table 9 for all sublots.

Article 341.4. Construction, Section I. Acceptance Plan, Section 3. Placement Acceptance, Section a. Placement Lot, Section (2) Incomplete Placement Lots is voided and replaced by the following:

(2) Incomplete Placement Lots. An incomplete placement lot consists of the area placed as described in Section 341.4.I.2.a(2), "Incomplete Production Lot," excluding miscellaneous areas as defined in Section 341.4.I.3.a(4), "Miscellaneous Areas." Placement sampling is required if the random sample plan for production resulted in a sample being obtained from an incomplete production subplot.

Article 341.4. Construction, Section I. Acceptance Plan, Section 3. Placement Acceptance, Section b. Placement Sampling. The third and fifth paragraphs are voided and replaced by the following:

Unless otherwise determined, the Engineer will witness the coring operation and measurement of the core thickness. Unless otherwise approved, obtain the cores within 1 working day of the time the placement subplot is completed. Obtain two 6-in. diameter cores side by side from within 1 ft. of the random location provided for the placement subplot. Mark the cores for identification, measure and record the untrimmed core height, and provide the information to the Engineer.

Visually inspect each core and verify that the current paving layer is bonded to the underlying layer. If an adequate bond does not exist between the current and underlying layer, take corrective action to ensure that an adequate bond will be achieved during subsequent placement operations. For Type D and Type F mixtures, 4-in. diameter cores are allowed.

If the core heights exceed the minimum untrimmed values listed in Table 10, trim and deliver the cores to the Engineer within 1 working day following placement operations, unless otherwise approved. Trim the bottom or top of the core only when necessary to remove any foreign matter and to provide a level and smooth surface for testing. Foreign matter is another paving layer, such as hot mix, surface treatment, subgrade, or base material. Trim no more than 1/2 in. of material. Do not trim the core if the surface is level and there is not foreign matter bonded to the surface of the core.

Article 341.4. Construction, Section I. Acceptance Plan, Section 3. Placement Acceptance, Section c. Placement Testing is voided and replaced by the following:

c. Placement Testing. Perform placement tests in accordance with Table 12. After the Engineer returns the cores, the Contractor has the option to test the cores to verify the Engineer's test results for in-place air voids. The allowable differences between the Contractor's and Engineer's test results are listed in Table 9.

Article 341.6. Payment. The first paragraph is voided and replaced by the following:

The work performed and materials furnished in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under Article 341.5, "Measurement," will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Dense-Graded Hot-Mix Asphalt (QC/QA)" of the type, surface aggregate classification, and binder specified. When shown on the plans, "level up" may be specified. Pay adjustments for bonuses and penalties will be applied as determined in this Item except for level ups where a pay adjustment factor of 1.000 will be assigned for all production and placement sublots. These prices are full compensation for surface preparation, materials including tack coat, placement, equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals.

Article 341.6. Payment, Section A. Production Pay Adjustment Factors is supplemented by the following:

When WMA is specified on the plans, at the Contractor's request the Engineer has the option to assign all sublots a production pay adjustment factor of 1.000. When the Engineer elects to assign all sublots a production pay adjustment factor of 1.000, control mixture production to yield a laboratory-molded density with an absolute deviation no greater than 1.0 percent from the target laboratory-molded density as defined in Table 7 or as shown on plans, as tested by the Engineer. The Engineer may suspend production and shipment of mixture if the laboratory-molded density deviates more than 1.0 percent from the target laboratory-molded density for two consecutive sublots.

Article 341.6. Payment, Section B. Placement Pay Adjustment Factors, Section 2. Placement Sublots Subject to Removal and Replacement is voided and replaced by the following:

2. Placement Sublots Subject to Removal and Replacement. If after referee testing the placement pay adjustment factor for any subplot results in a “remove and replace” condition as listed in Table 15, the Engineer will choose the location of two cores to be taken within 3 ft. of the original failing core location. The Contractor will obtain the cores in the presence of the Engineer. The Engineer will take immediate possession of the untrimmed cores and submit the untrimmed cores to the Materials and Pavements Section of the Construction Division, where they will be trimmed and tested for bulk specific gravity within 10 working days of receipt. The average bulk specific gravity of the cores will be divided by the Engineer’s average maximum theoretical specific gravity for that lot to determine the new pay adjustment factor of the subplot in question. If the new pay adjustment factor is 0.700 or greater, the new pay adjustment factor will apply to that subplot. If the new pay adjustment factor is less than 0.700, no payment will be made for the subplot. Remove and replace the failing subplot. Replacement material meeting the requirements of this Item will be paid for in accordance with this Article.

SPECIAL PROVISION

360---003

Concrete Pavement

For this project, Item 360, “Concrete Pavement,” of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Article 360.3. Equipment, Section E. Curing Equipment. The third sentence is voided and replaced by the following:

Provide curing equipment that is independent of all other equipment when required to meet the requirements of Article 360.4.I, “Curing.”

Article 360.4. Construction, Section H. Spreading and Finishing, Section 2. Maintenance of Surface Moisture. The first and second sentences are voided and replaced by the following:

Prevent surface drying of the pavement before application of the curing system by means that may include water fogging, the use of wind screens and the use of evaporation retardants.

Article 360. 4. Construction, Section I. Curing. The first sentence is voided and replaced by the following:

Keep the concrete pavement surface from drying as described in Section 360.4.H.2, “Maintenance of Surface Moisture,” until the curing material has been applied.

Article 360. 4. Construction, Section I. Curing, Section 1. Membrane Curing. The first paragraph is voided and replaced by the following:

Spray the concrete surface uniformly with 2 coats of membrane curing compound at an individual application rate of not more than 180 sq. ft. per gallon. Do not allow the concrete surface to dry before applying the curing compound. Use a towel or absorptive fabric to remove any standing pools of bleed water that may be present on the surface before applying the curing compound. Apply the first coat within 10 min. after completing texturing operations. Apply the second coat within 30 min. after completing texturing operations.

SPECIAL PROVISION**421---031****Hydraulic Cement Concrete**

For this project, Item 421, “Hydraulic Cement Concrete,” of the Standard Specifications is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Article 421.2.D. Water, Table 1. Chemical Limits for Mix Water is voided and replaced by the following:

Table 1
Chemical Limits for Mix Water

Contaminant	Test Method	Maximum Concentration (ppm)
Chloride (Cl)	ASTM C 114	
Prestressed concrete		500
Bridge decks and superstructure		500
All other concrete		1,000
Sulfate (SO ₄)	ASTM C 114	2,000
Alkalies (N _{A2} O + 0.658K ₂ O)	ASTM C 114	600
Total Solids	ASTM C 1603	50,000

Article 421.2.B. Supplementary Cementing Materials (SCM) is supplemented with the following:

- 6. Modified Class F Fly Ash (MFFA).** Furnish MFFA conforming to DMS-4610, “Fly Ash.”

Article 421.2.D. Water, Table 2. Acceptance Criteria for Questionable Water Supplies is voided and replaced by the following:

Table 2
Acceptance Criteria for Questionable Water Supplies

Property	Test Method	Limits
Compressive strength, min. % control at 7 days	ASTM C 31, ASTM C 39 ^{1,2}	90
Time of set, deviation from control, h:min.	ASTM C 403 ¹	From 1:00 early to 1:30 later

¹. Base comparisons on fixed proportions and the same volume of test water compared to the control mix using 100% potable water or distilled water.

². Base comparisons on sets consisting of at least two standard specimens made from a composite sample.

Article 421.2.E.2 Fine Aggregate. The fifth paragraph is voided and replaced by the following:

$$\text{Acid insoluble (\%)} = \{(A1)(P1) + (A2)(P2)\} / 100$$

where:

A1 = acid insoluble (%) of aggregate 1

A2 = acid insoluble (%) of aggregate 2

$P1$ = percent by weight of aggregate 1 of the fine aggregate blend

$P2$ = percent by weight of aggregate 2 of the fine aggregate blend

Article 421.2.E.2. Fine Aggregate. The final paragraph is voided and replaced by the following:

For all classes of concrete, provide fine aggregate with a fineness modulus between 2.3 and 3.1 as determined by Tex-402-A.

Article 421.2.E. Aggregate is supplemented by the following:

- 4. Intermediate Aggregate.** When necessary to complete the concrete mix design, provide intermediate aggregate consisting of clean, hard, durable particles of natural or light-weight aggregate or a combination thereof. Provide intermediate aggregate free from frozen material and from injurious amounts of salt, alkali, vegetable matter, or other objectionable material, and containing no more than 0.5% clay lumps by weight in accordance with Tex-413-A.

If more than 30% of the intermediate aggregate is retained on the No. 4 sieve, the amount retained on the No. 4 sieve must either meet the requirements of or come from a source that meets the requirements of a wear not more than 40% when tested in accordance with Tex-410-A and a 5-cycle magnesium sulfate soundness of not more than 18% when tested in accordance with Tex-411-A.

If more than 30% of the intermediate aggregate passes the 3/8" sieve, the portion passing the 3/8" sieve must not show a color darker than standard when subjected to the color test for organic impurities in accordance with Tex-408-A and must have an acid insoluble residue, unless otherwise shown on the plans, for concrete subject to direct traffic equal to or greater than the value calculated with the following equation:

$$A_{Iia} \geq \frac{60 - (A_{Ifa})(P_{fa})}{(P_{ia})}$$

where:

A_{Ifa} = acid insoluble (%) of fine aggregate or fine aggregate blend

P_{fa} = percent by weight of the fine aggregate or fine aggregate blend as a percentage of the total weight of the aggregate passing the 3/8" sieve in the concrete mix design

P_{ia} = percent by weight of the intermediate aggregate as a percentage of the total weight of the aggregate passing the 3/8" sieve in the concrete mix design

Article 421.2.F. Mortar and Grout is supplemented by the following:

Section 421.4.A.6, "Mix Design Options," does not apply for mortar and grout.

Article 421.3.A. Concrete Plants and Mixing Equipment is supplemented by the following:

When allowed by the plans or the Engineer, for concrete classes not identified as structural concrete in Table 5 or for Class C concrete not used for bridge-class structures, the Engineer may inspect and approve all plants and trucks in lieu of the NRMCA or non-Department engineer sealed certifications. The criteria and frequency of Engineer approval of plants and trucks is the same used for NRMCA certification.

Article 421.3.A.2. Volumetric Mixers is supplemented by the following:

Unless allowed by the plans or the Engineer, volumetric mixers may not supply classes of concrete identified as structural concrete in Table 5.

Article 421.4.A Classification and Mix Design. The first paragraph is voided and replaced by the following:

Unless a design method is indicated on the plans, furnish mix designs using ACI 211, “Standard Practice for Selecting Proportions for Normal, Heavyweight, and Mass Concrete,” Tex-470-A, or other approved procedures for the classes of concrete required in accordance with Table 5.

Perform mix design and cement replacement using the design by weight method unless otherwise approved. Do not exceed the maximum water-to-cementitious-material ratio.

Article 421.4.A. Classification and Mix Design, Table 5 Concrete Classes voided and replaced by the following:

Table 5
Concrete Classes

Class of Concrete	Design Strength, Min. 28-day f'_c (psi)	Maximum W/C Ratio¹	Coarse Aggregate Grades^{2,3}	General Usage⁴
A	3,000	0.60	1–4, 8	Inlets, manholes, curb, gutter, curb & gutter, conc. retards, sidewalks, driveways, backup walls, anchors
B	2,000	0.60	2–7	Riprap, small roadside signs, and anchors
C ⁵	3,600	0.45	1–6	Drilled shafts, bridge substructure, bridge railing, culverts except top slab of direct traffic culverts, headwalls, wing walls, approach slabs, concrete traffic barrier (cast-in-place)
C(HPC) ⁵	3,600	0.45	1-6	As shown on the plans
D	1,500	0.60	2–7	Riprap
E	3,000	0.50	2–5	Seal concrete
F ⁵	Note 6	0.45	2–5	Railroad structures; occasionally for bridge piers, columns, or bents
F(HPC) ⁵	Note 6	0.45	2–5	As shown on the plans
H ⁵	Note 6	0.45	3–6	Prestressed concrete beams, boxes, piling, and concrete traffic barrier (precast)
H(HPC) ⁵	Note 6	0.45	3–6	As shown on the plans
S ⁵	4,000	0.45	2–5	Bridge slabs, top slabs of direct traffic culverts
S(HPC) ⁵	4,000	0.45	2-5	As shown on the plans
P	See Item 360	0.45	2–3	Concrete pavement
DC ⁵	5,500	0.40	6	Dense conc. overlay
CO ⁵	4,600	0.40	6	Conc. overlay
LMC ⁵	4,000	0.40	6–8	Latex-modified concrete overlay
SS ⁵	3,600 ⁷	0.45	4–6	Slurry displacement shafts, underwater drilled shafts
K ⁵	Note 6	0.45	Note 6	Note 6
HES	Note 6	0.45	Note 6	Note 6

¹. Maximum water-cement or water-cementitious ratio by weight.

². Unless otherwise permitted, do not use Grade 1 coarse aggregate except in massive foundations with 4-in. minimum clear spacing between reinforcing steel bars. Do not use Grade 1 aggregate in drilled shafts.

Class of Concrete	Design Strength, Min. 28-day f'_c (psi)	Maximum W/C Ratio ¹	Coarse Aggregate Grades ^{2,3}	General Usage ⁴
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³. Unless otherwise approved, use Grade 8 aggregate in extruded curbs.

⁴. For information only.

⁵. Structural concrete classes.

⁶. As shown on the plans or specified.

⁷. Use a minimum cementitious material content of 650 lb/cy of concrete. Do not apply Table 6 over design requirements to Class SS concrete.

Article 421.4.A. Classification and Mix Design, Table 6 Over Design to Meet Compressive Strength Requirements. Footnote 3 is supplemented by the following:

For Class K and concrete classes not identified as structural concrete in Table 5 or for Class C concrete not used for bridge-class structures, the Engineer may designate on the plans an alternative over-design requirement up to and including 1,000 psi for specified strengths less than 3,000 psi and up to and including 1,200 psi for specified strengths from 3,000 to 5,000 psi.

Article 421.4.A.1. Cementitious Materials is supplemented by the following:

The upper limit of 35% replacement of cement with Class F fly ash specified by mix design options 1 and 3 may be increased to a maximum of 45% for mass placements, high performance concrete, and precast members when approved.

Article 421.4.A.3. Chemical Admixtures is supplemented by the following:

When a corrosion-inhibiting admixture is required, use a 30% calcium nitrite solution. The corrosion inhibiting admixture must be set neutral unless otherwise approved. Dose the admixture at the rate of gallons of admixture per cubic yard of concrete shown on the plans.

Article 421.4.A.4 Air Entrainment is voided and replaced by the following:

Air entrain all concrete except for Class B and concrete used in drilled shafts unless otherwise shown on the plans. Unless otherwise shown on the plans, target an entrained air content of 4.0 % for concrete pavement and 5.5 % for all other concrete requiring air entrainment. To meet the air-entraining requirements, use an approved air-entraining admixture. If the air content is more than 1-1/2% below or 3% above the required air, the load of concrete will be rejected. If the air content is more than 1-1/2 but less than 3% above the required air, the concrete may be accepted based on strength tests. For specified concrete strengths above 5,000 psi, a reduction of 1% is permitted.

Article 421.4.A Table 7 Air Entrainment is voided.

Article 421.4.A.6. Mix Design Options. The first paragraph is voided and replaced by the following:

For structural concrete identified in Table 5 and any other class of concrete designed using more than 520 lb. of cementitious material per cu. yd., use one of the mix design Options 1-8 shown below, unless otherwise shown on the plans.

Article 421.4.A.6. Mix Design Options. The second paragraph is voided and replaced by the following:

For concrete classes not identified as structural concrete in Table 5 and designed using less than 520 lb. of cementitious material per cu. yd., use one of the mix design Options 1–8 shown below, except that Class C fly ash may be used instead of Class F fly ash for Options 1, 3, and 4 unless sulfate-resistant concrete is shown on the plans.

Do not use mix design options 6 or 7 when High Performance Concrete (HPC) is required. Option 8 may be used when HPC is required provided: a minimum of 20% of the cement is replaced with a Class C fly ash; test method Tex-440-A, “Initial Time of Set of Fresh Concrete” is performed during mix design verification; the additional requirements for permeability are met; and the concrete is not required to be sulfate-resistant.

Article 421.4.A.6.b. Option 2 is voided and replaced by the following:

b. Option 2. Replace 35 to 50% of the cement with GGBFS or MFFA.

Article 421.4.A.6.c. Option 3 is voided and replaced by the following:

c. Option 3. Replace 35 to 50% of the cement with a combination of Class F fly ash, GGBFS, MFFA, UFFA, metakaolin, or silica fume. However, no more than 35% may be fly ash, and no more than 10% may be silica fume.

Article 421.4.A.6.g. Option 7 is voided and replaced by the following:

g. Option 7. When using hydraulic cement only, ensure that the total alkali contribution from the cement in the concrete does not exceed 4.00 lb. per cubic yard. of concrete when calculated as follows:

$$\text{lb. alkali per cu. yd.} = \frac{(\text{lb. cement per cu. yd.}) \times (\% \text{ Na}_2\text{O equivalent in cement})}{100}$$

In the above calculation, use the maximum cement alkali content reported on the cement mill certificate.

Do not use Option 7 when any of the aggregates in the concrete are listed on the Department’s List of Aggregate Sources Excluded from Option 7 ASR Mitigation.

Article 421.4.A.6.h. Option 8 is voided and replaced by the following:

h. Option 8. For any deviations from Options 1–5, perform testing on both coarse and fine aggregate separately in accordance with ASTM C 1567. Before use of the mix, provide a certified test report signed and sealed by a licensed professional engineer, from a laboratory on the Department’s List of Approved ASTM C 1260 Laboratories, demonstrating that the ASTM C 1567 test result for each aggregate does not exceed 0.10% expansion.

Do not use Option 8 when any of the aggregates in the concrete are listed on the Department’s List of Aggregate Sources Excluded from Option 8 ASR Mitigation. When HPC is required, provide a certified test report signed and sealed by a licensed professional engineer demonstrating that AASHTO T 277 test results indicate the permeability of the concrete is less than 1,500 coulombs tested immediately after either of the following curing schedules:

- Moist cure specimens 56 days at 73°F.
- Moist cure specimens 7 days at 73°F followed by 21 days at 100°F.

Article 421.4.B. Trial Batches is supplemented by the following:

Once a trial batch substantiates the mix design, the proportions and mixing methods used in the trial batch become the mix design of record.

Article 421.4.B. Trial Batches. The fourth sentence of the second paragraph is voided and replaced by the following:

Test at least 1 set of design strength specimens, consisting of 2 specimens per set, at 7-day, 28-day, and at least one additional age.

Article 421.4.D. Measurement of Materials, Table 9 is voided and replaced by the following:

Material	Tolerance (%)
Cement, wt.	-1 to +3
SCM wt.	-1 to +3
Cement + SCM (cumulative weighing), wt.	-1 to +3
Water, wt. or volume	±3
Fine aggregate, wt.	±2
Coarse aggregate, wt.	±2
Fine + coarse aggregate (cumulative weighing), wt.	±1
Chemical admixtures, wt. or volume	±3

Article 421.4.E. Mixing and Delivering Concrete. The first paragraph is supplemented with the following:

Do not top-load new concrete onto returned concrete.

Article 421.4.E.3. Truck-Mixed Concrete. The first paragraph is voided and replaced by the following:

Mix the concrete in a truck mixer from 70 to 100 revolutions at the mixing speed designated by the manufacturer to produce a uniform concrete mix. Deliver the concrete to the project in a thoroughly mixed and uniform mass and discharge the concrete with a satisfactory degree of uniformity. Additional mixing at the job site at the mixing speed designated by the manufacturer is allowed as long as the requirements of Section 421.4.A.5, "Slump" and Section 421.4.E, "Mixing and Delivering Concrete" are met.

SPECIAL PROVISION

440---001

Reinforcing Steel

For this project, Item 440, “Reinforcing Steel,” of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Article 440.2. Materials, Section G. Mechanical Couplers is voided and replaced by the following:

When mechanical splices in reinforcing steel bars are shown on the plans, use couplers of the type specified in DMS-4510, “Mechanical Couplers,” under the section “General Requirements.”

Furnish only couplers that have been produced by a manufacturer that has been prequalified in accordance with DMS-4510. Do not use sleeve-wedge type couplers on coated reinforcing. Sample and test couplers for use on individual projects in accordance with DMS-4510. Furnish couplers only at locations shown on the plans.

SPECIAL PROVISION

500---005

Mobilization

For this project, Item 500, “Mobilization,” of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Article 500.1. Description is supplemented by the following:

Work for this Item includes submissions required by the Contract.

Article 500.3. Payment, Section A is voided and replaced by the following:

A. Payment will be made upon presentation of a paid invoice for the payment, performance, or retainage bonds, and required insurance. The combined payment for bonds and insurance will be no more than 10% of the mobilization lump sum or 1% of the total Contract amount, whichever is less.

Article 500.3. Payment, Section F is voided and replaced by the following:

F. Upon final acceptance, 97% of the mobilization lump sum bid will be paid. Previous payments under this Item will be deducted from this amount.

Article 500.3. Payment is supplemented by the following:

G. Payment for the remainder of the lump sum bid for “Mobilization” will be made after all submittals are received, final quantities have been determined and when any separate vegetative establishment and maintenance, test and performance periods provided for in the Contract have been successfully completed.

SPECIAL PROVISION

502---033

Barricades, Signs, and Traffic Handling

For this project, Item 502, “Barricades, Signs, and Traffic Handling,” of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Article 502.4. Payment, Section C. Maximum Total Payment Prior to Acceptance is voided and replaced by the following:

C. Maximum Total Payment Prior to Acceptance. The total payment for this Item will not exceed 10% of the total Contract amount before final acceptance in accordance with Article 5.8, “Final Acceptance.” The remaining balance will be paid in accordance with Section 502.4.E, “Balance Due.”

SPECIAL PROVISION

506---012

Temporary Erosion, Sedimentation, and Environmental Controls

For this project, Item 506, “Temporary Erosion, Sedimentation, and Environmental Controls,” of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Article 506.2. Materials. Section I. Sandbags. Table 1 is replaced with the following:

Table 1
Sand Gradation

Sieve #	Retained (% by Weight)
4	MAXIMUM 3%
100	MINIMUM 80%
200	MINIMUM 95%

Article 506.4 Construction, B. General, 2. Maintenance, is voided and replaced by the following:

B. General.

- 2. Maintenance.** Perform maintenance in accordance with the plans and the TPDES General Permit. Correct ineffective control measures. Implement additional controls as directed.

An Inspector will perform a regularly scheduled SWP3 inspection every 14 calendar days and within 24 hours after a storm event of 0.5 in. or greater. Make corrections as soon as possible before the next anticipated rain event or within 7 calendar days after being able to enter the site to work on each control device. A control device site being “too wet to work” during the entire 7 calendar day time period is the only acceptable reason for not accomplishing the corrections within the 7 calendar day time limit. Provide documentation on the Department’s inspection form developed from the Department’s inspections or through other approved methods.

If maintenance corrections are not made within this timeframe, work on the project may be suspended by the Engineer. Time charges will continue until SWP3 is brought into compliance and documentation of corrective action is provided. This in no way releases the contractor of liability for noncompliance.

SPECIAL PROVISION

672---034

Raised Pavement Markers

For this project, Item 672, “Raised Pavement Markers,” of the Standard Specifications, is hereby amended with respect to the clauses cited below, and no other clauses or requirements of this Item are waived or changed hereby.

Article 672.2. Materials, Section B. Adhesives is supplemented by the following:

- The Contractor may propose alternate adhesive materials for consideration and approval by the Engineer.

Article 672.3. Construction. The sixth paragraph is voided and replaced by the following:

Use the following adhesive materials for placement jiggle bar tile, reflectorized pavement markers, and traffic buttons unless otherwise shown on the plans:

- standard or flexible bituminous adhesive for applications on bituminous pavements.
- epoxy adhesive or flexible bituminous adhesive for applications on hydraulic cement concrete pavements.

Use epoxy adhesive for plowable reflectorized pavement markers.

Article 672.3. Construction is supplemented by the following:

Provide a 30-day performance period that begins the day following written acceptance for each separate location. The date of written acceptance will be the last calendar day of each month for the RPMs installed that month for the completed separate project locations. This written acceptance does not constitute final acceptance.

Replace all missing, broken or non-reflective RPMs. Visual evaluations will be used for these determinations. Upon request, the Engineer will allow a Contractor representative to accompany the Engineer on these evaluations.

The Engineer may exclude RPMs from the replacement provisions of the performance, provided the Engineer determines that the failure is a result of causes other than defective material or inadequate installation procedures. Examples of outside causes are extreme wear at intersections, damage by snow or ice removal, and pavement failure.

Replace all missing or non-reflective RPMs identified during the performance period within 30 days after notification. The end of the performance period does not relieve the Contractor from the performance deficiencies requiring corrective action identified during the performance period.

Article 672.5. Payment is supplemented by the following:

No additional payment will be made for replacement of RPMs failing to meet the performance requirements.

RPMs INSTALLATION RECORD

The 30 day performance period begins the day after written acceptance for each separate location. The date of written acceptance will be the last calendar day of each month for the RPMs installed that month for the completed separate project locations.

COUNTY HIGHWAY	CONTROL PROJECT	LIMITS FROM LIMITS TO	MONTH/YR OF INSTALLATION

Contractor signature _____

Date

Department signature _____

Date